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Taipei Dep.	11.15	11.22	11.30	11.40	11.50	12.00	12.10	12.20	12.30	12.40	12.50
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Hector, Cat About Town Notorious Gossip

"Now, I want you to remember," said the teacher to his class, "that the suffix 'stan' means 'the place of.' Thus we have Afghanistan, the place of the Afghans. Can anyone give me another example?"

There was no response for a few moments, until one small child had a shot. "Yes, sir, I can," he said. "Umbrellastan, the place for umbrellas!"

There was a breathless hush over the football field as the home team's right-winger sped down the line with the ball at his foot, and then shot it right across the field towards the waiting centre-forward.

Up he jumped, his bald head flashing in the sun, and it looked a certain goal; but, to the dismay of the crowd, the ball went alighting away on the wrong side of the post.

Immediately there was a long-drawn-out "O-oh!" from the spectators and when it had died down a voice yelled out: "Put some chalk on your cue next time, Baldy!"

As the train left the station, a passenger threw a banana-skin out of the window.

"El, str!" shouted the guard, "the station-master won't have this, you know."

"Well, divide it amongst the porters," came the reply.

A school teacher was asking a few questions of the small girls of an infant school.

"Now," he said, "if all the good people in the world were white, and all the bad people in the world were black, what colour would you be?"

Some of the children answered "White," while some of them confessed that they would be "Black," but one small child, who had remained silent until the others had all replied, said: "Please, sir, I'd be streaky."

U.S. WAR DEBT ATTITUDE

GROWING MOVE FOR CANCELLATION

Views Of American Professor

London, Dec. 11.—A definite movement among American business men in favour of cancellation of war debts was mentioned by Prof. Arthur Newell, of Boston, U.S., in an address at a luncheon of the Illington Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

Prof. Newell, who was formerly Professor of International Relations at Robert College, Constantinople, and recent Special Lecturer on International Relations at Bristol University, said that America's colossal ignorance over war debts was now gradually changing.

The movement for cancellation, he added, had the unofficial backing of some of the high officials in Washington.

NOT ISOLATED

He said that it was just beginning to penetrate into the minds of Americans that America was not isolated from the rest of the world.

"It is the policy of the ostrich to think that we are isolated," he declared. "The recent neutrality legislation punctured this idea overnight. What counts to-day is not merely America's attitude towards the League of Nations, but

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

T.T. ON LONDON—1/3 1/4 (nom).
T.T. ON NEW YORK—32 1/16

THE LOCAL DOLLAR

No Truth In Yesterday's Rumours

We have been officially advised that there was no truth in the rumours which were current yesterday in regard to the lowering of the rate of the local dollar.

The rumours apparently originated from the fact that there was a decline of 1/8th at the opening, and also that the business rate had slumped during the course of the morning; as low a rate as 1/34 being recorded.

But the fact remains that Mr. N. E. Young, British Treasury Official now in Hong Kong, had received no cable from Sir Frederick Leith-Ross stating that China was unable to keep its dollar down to a low level unless Hong Kong took steps to bring the dollar down nearer to the Shanghai rate.

BALLOON BLOWN INTO ENGLAND

MEN'S TWO NIGHTS IN OPEN BASKET

Peril Over Sea

London, Dec. 11.—After two nights and a day in an open basket, three German balloonists who had been blown out of their course by a strong wind, made a forced landing at South Cokerington, near Louth, Lincolnshire, about three o'clock yesterday morning.

The balloon was one of 11 that started on a distance race from Gerzenkirchen, near Essen, at four o'clock on Sunday. The pilot hoped to reach Norway, but found that the balloon was being carried over the sea.

Just before it crossed the Lincolnshire coast, at North Somercotes, the balloon nearly came down on the water. The crew had been misled by a light that was visible, but it proved to be a light on a buoy at sea and the last of the ballast was heaved overboard to make a hurried ascent again.

HELPED BY MOON

Subsequently a landing was made by the help of the moon in a cornfield a few miles inland. A farm labourer in an adjacent cottage was astonished to be knocked up in the early hours and confronted by a stranger inquiring in foreign accents where he was.

The pilot was Dr. Walter Zinner. It was his 39th ascent. The other two persons aboard were a Hamburg newspaper man, Erwin Schuyt, who was making the trip on behalf of his paper, and Gunnar Jensen.

The balloon carried a big Swastika flag. With the help of the police, the balloon was retrieved and the balloonists entrained for London last night.

her attitude to this new world consciousness that we are all one and that we must all stand together against aggression."

Prof. Newell pointed out that it was on her own initiative that America passed this neutrality legislation in face of the threat of Italian aggression in Abyssinia.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Customs Holiday.

Cinemas.

King's:—"A Night At The Opera."

Queen's:—"The Last Outpost."

Oriental:—"Stranded."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Here Comes The Band."

Majestic:—"The Best Man Wins."

Star:—"Car 95."

Meetings.—Christian Fellowship.

Helens May, 10.30 a.m. Kowloon Chess Club at Central British School, 5.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Girls Guild, 6 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—League of Health and Beauty Class, St. Andrew's Hall, 10 a.m.

Social.—All ranks Tompola, Wellington Barracks, 7.30 p.m.

Sports.

Badminton.—Mixed Doubles, Fire Brigade v. Kowloon Tong; St. John's v. Sailors and Soldiers' Home; St. Andrew's v. Chinese R.C.; Club de Recreio "A" v. Club de Recreio "B".

Hockey.—Hong Kong Hockey Club seconds v. H.K.S.R.A. (King's Park), 5 p.m.

Moan.—XII Moan, 9th Day.

Sunrise.—7.04 a.m. Sunset.—5.32 p.m.

Tides.—High at 4.15 and 16.45; Low at 9.42.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4.

Cinemas.

King's:—"Broadway Melody Of 1936."

Queen's:—"Two For Tonight."

Oriental:—"Stranded."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Broadway Melody Of 1936."

Majestic:—"The Best Man Wins."

Star:—"The Scarlet Pimpernel."

Dances.—R. E. Old Comrades Association, Dance, at China Fleet Club Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—New Territories Agricultural Show, at Shek Wu Hui, 2.30 p.m.; Examination for new St. Stephen's College Students at Stanley, 9 a.m.

Social.—Civil Service Cricket Club Whist Drive, 9.20 p.m. Tompola on board H.M.S. Tamar, 7.15 p.m.

Sports.

Cricket.—First Division, Galsworthy C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (L); Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C. (F); Civil Service C.C. v. Army (F); Second Division, University v. Police (L); Royal Engineers v. Galsworthy C.C. (L); Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (F).

Football.—First Division, Chinese Athletic v. Kowloon (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.; Royal Navy v. South China "B" (Causeway Bay), 4 p.m.; Royal Artillery, Bunceburners v. South China "A" (Sookhpo), 4 p.m.; Police v. Club (Kowloon Ground), 4 p.m.; East Lancashire v. Royal Artillery, Lyemum (Prince Edward Road), 4 p.m.; Club de Recreio v. Royal Welch Fusiliers (King's Park), 4 p.m.; Royal Ulster Rifles v. St. Joseph's (Military Ground, Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

Second Division, East Lancashire v. Radio Sports, 2.30 p.m.; Club de Recreio v. University, 2.30 p.m.; Kowloon v. Chinese Athletic, 2.30 p.m.; Royal Ulster Rifles v. Royal Navy, 2.30 p.m.; Bunceburners v. Club, 2.30 p.m.; Third Division, Royal Air Force v. Chinese Police, 2.30 p.m.; Royal Ulster Rifles v. R.A.M.C., 4 p.m.; Railway v. Liga Portuguesa, 4 p.m.; Royal Engineers v. St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.

Lawn Tennis.—Entries close for Women's Open Singles and Open Doubles Championships.

Rugby.—Football Tournament, Club v. Army (Happy Valley), 4 p.m.

Moan.—XII Moan, 10th Day.

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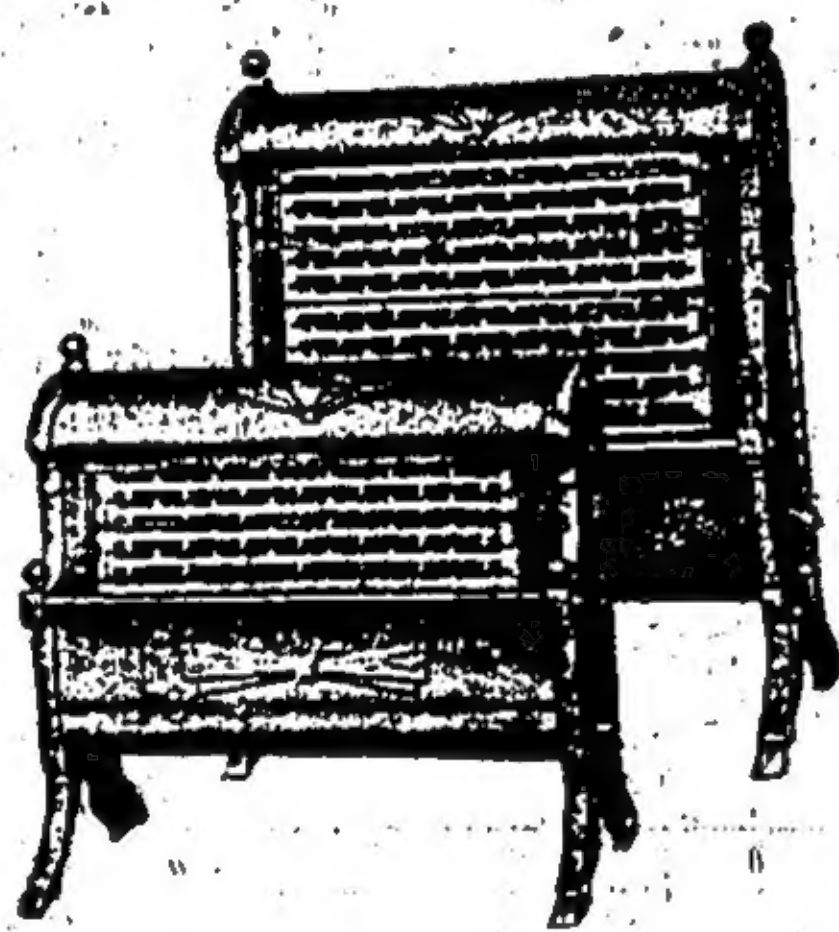
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RUSSIA'S POLAR EXPLORATION

Professor Otto Schmidt on the New Northern Passage

London, Dec. 9.
The Royal Geographical Society usually enjoys the privilege of hearing the first in London, to hear lectures of such importance to geographers as the one by Professor Otto Schmidt on "Popular Exploration and the U.S.S.R.," but that privilege fell last night to the Congress of Peace and Friendship when he had finished the audience felt that it had been shown a new world.

The professor, a suitably romantic-looking man, with a long black beard, a thatch of black hair, lively dark eyes, and a ready laugh, described the adventures of the unlucky Chelyuskin and of the men, women, and children aboard her, who were condemned to spend eighteen winter weeks in the middle of the Arctic ice, first on the hemmed-in ship, and then, when she was destroyed, on the shifting precarious ice-floe.

END OF THE CHELYUSKIN
He described how one day in February the helpless people watched "a rampart of ice, at its highest thirteen metres high, approaching with a slow but majestic movement and a harsh rumbling sound"—how it tore the Chelyuskin, and how the party landed with enough

provisions for two months, built from the wreckage a wooden house for fifty people, and, after twenty attempts, succeeded in making a landing place for the promised aeroplanes; how they organised their daily life and never failed to study scientifically the drift of the ice, and conducted a study circle on advanced mathematics for the engineers.

He described the arrival of the first aeroplane and its rescue of the women and children (including Karina, the baby born in the Kara Sea) a day before the ice destroyed their wooden house, and the arrival, a month later, of the planes that rescued the rest of the party. "The wreck of the Chelyuskin," he said, "was only the signal for still greater efforts towards the exploration of the Arctic."

Still more interesting than this story was his general survey of what the U.S.S.R. has done in exploration of the northern seas and coast. "Ice-breakers" had never been built for Arctic exploration till they had been shown when the ice-breaker Krassin went to the rescue of the Noble expedition in 1928. "Since that time the ice-breaker has become the principal instrument in our scientific investigations and in the economic development of the Arctic."

THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN
In 1929 a plan of exploration in the Arctic formed an integral part of the five-year plan, and the Soviet Government, with its vast resources, put into the hands of scientific men everything necessary for the expeditions, including ice-breakers and laboratories. Professor Schmidt was in charge of the expeditions. To-day more than forty stations, covering the whole coast and the islands, have been established. Equipped with wireless, they transmit meteorological data to ships, aeroplanes, and the central meteorological bureau in the U.S.S.R. Their communications play an important part in weather forecasts for the world, and the long-term weather forecasting is of especial value to the Soviet Union with its planned agriculture.

Giving an idea of the swift development of Arctic navigation, the professor said that on September 1 eleven different boats met together at the northernmost point of Asia, Cape Chelyuskin, although the total number of ships that had previously reached that cape during all the centuries was not more than nine. Regular sailings between Europe and Vladivostok by the northern sea route have been established. Many boats have taken cargoes into the estuaries of hitherto inaccessible Siberian rivers.

FOOD AND DISHES

Such a variety of attractive dishes is available nowadays that the task of cooking is made considerably easier. Earthenware, once an ugly brown that no hostess would place on the table, can now be obtained in blue, green, yellow, and cream, as well as gaily patterned, while fireproof glass is familiar to every housewife. Shapes and sizes are so varied that almost any kind of cooking can be carried out in these dishes and the food brought to the table in them. A gratin dish is indispensable; it should be wide and shallow, so that as wide an area as possible can be crisply browned; it should have two "ears" so that it can be handled easily; and it should be of a shape which will easily slip under the grill. A gratin dish is particularly useful to the housewife without a maid, as all kinds of dishes which can be prepared beforehand can be left in the gratin dish ready to go under the grill.

When cooked "au gratin," fish, meat, or vegetables are covered with a rich white, or other thick sauce, sprinkled with a mixture of grated cheese and breadcrumbs and topped with melted butter. Here are some examples:

Asparagus au Gratin

Put a cupful of evaporated milk, the beaten yolks of two eggs, a tablespoonful of lemon juice, salt and pepper into a double saucepan. Stir until thick. Put a tin of asparagus tips into the dish, cover with the sauce, sprinkle with crumbs, and brown in a hot oven for half an hour.

Spaghetti au Gratin

Cover the dish with a thick layer of cooked spaghetti, cover that with a layer of thinly sliced, peeled tomatoes. Season well, fill up with white sauce, cover with crumbs and cheese, and brown in a hot oven for half an hour.

DATE DELIGHTS

2/3 cup butter
2 cups dark brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
3/4 cup cream
4 cups flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
Cream butter, sugar. Add rest of ingredients, mixing lightly. Chill dough overnight. Roll out dough until very thin. Cut out circles. On half-cookies spread date mixture. Cover with other circles. Press edges together using fork. Prick tops. Bake 12 minutes in moderate oven.

Date Filling

1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup orange juice
1 teaspoon lemon extract
1 cup chopped dates
1 cup nuts
2 tablespoons butter
Blend sugar, flour. Add rest of ingredients, cook slowly, stir constantly, until filling thickens. Cool like as filling.

White Fruit Cake

1 cup butter
2 cups sugar
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon almond extract
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped white raisins
1 cup chopped almonds
1 cup chopped candied orange peel
1 cup chopped candied pineapple
1 cup chopped citron
1/2 cup white beans
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
4 cups flour
Cream butter, sugar. Add milk, beat 2 minutes. Add rest of ingredients, mixing lightly, pour into loaf pans lined with waxed paper. Bake 1 1/2 hours in slow oven.

Viking Cookies

2/3 cup fat
2 cups dark brown sugar
2 eggs
1/2 cup grape juice
2 teaspoons cloves
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup flour
1 cup chopped dates
1 cup chopped figs

Ham au Gratin
Mince half to three-quarters of a pound of boiled or roast ham, after removing the fat. Make half a pint of white sauce and stir into it a teaspoonful of made mustard and a little pepper, add the ham, cover rather thickly with breadcrumbs and grated cheese, pour over a little melted butter, and brown top.
Sets of scallop shells, ramekins, and individual casseroles are useful, and not so extravagant as they sound, for these small dishes cook the food quicker, and so are a saving in time and fuel. Any of the gratin dishes can be cooked in the scallop shells, while the ramekins are particularly useful for all egg dishes, creamed and minced fish, and meat. In the small casseroles can be cooked chops, stewed steak, small birds, and portions of chicken for an invalid. Here are one or two examples:

Baked Eggs

Butter a ramekin for each person and sprinkle its sides and bottom with finely chopped tongue. Break the egg over it, keeping the yolk intact, and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Pour a dessertspoonful of cream over the top, dust with a mixture of paprika, grated cheese, and finely chopped parsley, and bake in the oven until just set, which will be in five to ten minutes.

Creamed Fish

Fish left from a previous meal can be used for this. Remove skin and bone and divide into small flakes. Blend a tablespoonful of cornflour with a little milk, pour a breakfast-cupful of boiling milk on it, and boil for five minutes, stirring well. Add a small piece of butter, pepper, salt, a teaspoonful of lemon juice and a teaspoonful of onion juice, also a dash of anchovy essence. Mix this with the fish, fill the ramekins with the mixture, and bake in the oven until thoroughly hot, or else steam.

DEVILLED TOMATOES

Amongst the many savoury recipes for tomato dishes the following is perhaps not generally known. Choose six large tomatos, not too ripe, and slice them; then fry them in butter. Rub the yolks of the hard-boiled eggs into two ounces of butter, and mix in two tablespoonfuls of vinegar. Season with a pinch of salt, a teaspoonful of sugar, a pinch of mustard and cayenne pepper. Stir over gentle heat, beat well and do not allow to boil. Then add two well-beaten eggs, continue to stir until the mixture is thick and creamy, pour over the tomatoes, which have been piled on hot buttered toast, and serve hot.

FOR SUPPER

Have one or two large tomatoes for each person, cut a piece off the top and remove most of the pulp. Sprinkle the insides of the tomatoes with paprika and salt. Put an ounce of butter into a saucepan with a small chopped onion. Cook until the onion is tender and then put in the tomato pulp and an ounce of liver per person, cut into small pieces. Cook all together, gently for a few minutes, after sprinkling with flour and seasoning. Fill the tomatoes with the mixture, sprinkle the top with breadcrumbs, pour a little melted butter over, and cook on a greased dish until the tomatoes are tender, which will be in twenty minutes to half an hour. Serve with a border of boiled rice or macaroni.

1 cup chopped raisins
1 cup chopped citron
2/3 cup nuts
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon vanilla
Cream fat. Add rest of ingredients, drop portions from tip of spoon onto greased baking sheet and bake 12 minutes in moderate oven.

Mince Meat That Is Mince Meat

Mince meat is so easy and cheap to buy nowadays that few of us still make our own, and fewer still adhere to the old practice of making it really mince meat. But a friend of mine recently brought back from America a recipe for the kind of mince meat they make there, and I think it is worth while giving it, if only for sake of its unusual ingredients.

This is how they make it. First take two pounds of lean beef and a pound of beef suet, cover them with boiling water and cook until the meat is tender. Let it get cold; take off the suet (which has risen to the top in fat); take out the meat and reduce stock until it measures three-quarters of a pint.

Now chop the meat up finely and add to it twice its amount of finely chopped peeled and cored apples. Now add a pound and a half of sugar, one breakfast-cupful of molasses, a quart of elder, two pounds of sliced seedless raisins, a pound and a half of currants, four ounces of finely cut candied citron peel, the suet finely chopped and the reduced stock.

Let this mixture get hot gradually, stirring it now and then, and cook it slowly for a couple of hours, then add a pint of grape-juice (you can buy this bottled), a dessertspoonful each of cinnamon, mace, and powdered cloves, a grated nutmeg, half a teaspoonful of pepper, and a little salt. The molasses here may be grape-juice and brandy, in the proportion you fancy.

New And Tasty Stuffing For Holiday Birds

NUT STUFFING

1 Onion
2 tablespoons butter
2 cups soft crumbs
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 teaspoon thyme
1 cup boiling water
1 teaspoon salt
Few grains pepper
Fry onion in butter until a delicate brown. Add crumbs, walnuts, thyme, water, salt and pepper. Mix thoroughly and stuff fowl.

CHESTNUT STUFFING

For 12 pound fowl
1 pound chestnuts, cooked
8 cups soft bread crumbs
1 cup butter, melted
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon pepper
1 tablespoon poultry seasoning
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
3 tablespoons chopped celery
Cook chestnuts in water to cover, until soft. Cool and mash or dice. Add to list of ingredients. Lightly stuff fowl.

CELERY, OLIVE, AND BRAZIL NUT STUFFING

1 1/2 cups chopped celery
1 cup chopped olives (drained)
5 cups soft bread crumbs
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
1 tablespoon grated onion
1 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon pepper
6 tablespoons melted butter
1/2 cup chopped Brazil nuts
1 cup hot water or stock
Mix all the ingredients and blend thoroughly. Dry inside of turkey and stuff. This amount is sufficient for a 10-pound turkey.

CORN AND GREEN-PEPPER STUFFING

1 cup minced onion
1 cup chopped green pepper
1 cup melted shortening
1 cup chopped celery
2 No. 2 cans corn
1 teaspoon sage
1 teaspoon thyme
3/4 cups stale bread crumbs
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon pepper
Sauté onion and green pepper and celery in a little of the melted shortening until soft but not browned. Combine with

Favourite Recipes

TOASTED SPICE CAKE

Blend together
1 cup light brown sugar
1 cup butter or substitute
2 eggs yolk dissolved
2 teaspoon soda in
1 1/2 cups sour milk, and add alternately with the following dry ingredients:

Sift together
2 1/3 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon salt. Last add
1 teaspoon vanilla. Pour into greased shallow pan and spread batter with brown sugar meringue.
Mix together until smooth
2 egg whites beaten stiff and
1 cup light brown sugar
Sprinkle with
1 cup broken nut meats. Bake in moderate oven 350 deg. F. about 45 minutes.

PLAIN FLUM PUDDING

Sift together
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon mixed spice
1/2 teaspoon baking soda. Then add
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 cups raisins, stoned and cut in half
1 cup shortening, worked into the above. Add
1 egg well beaten (can be omitted) mixed well with
2 cups buttermilk. Steam in a mould for at least 3 1/2 hours and finish off in the oven for 1/2 an hour. Serve with sauce made as follows:

Boil
3 cups milk or milk and water, add
3 dessert spoons sugar and
3 dessert spoons cornflour dissolved with milk
1 teaspoon butter. Add
1 teaspoon vanilla flavoured just before serving.

The pudding can be mixed over night. This is a useful recipe when eggs are scarce. Serves eight or ten.

COOKERY NOOK

A friend of mine called a few days ago, bearing some pretty little covered tarts which she wanted me to try. They were really delicious, with a mysterious flavour which I could not place at first. There appeared to be nothing inside but a few currants, but they tasted rather like mince pies.

The secret, she told me afterwards, is mint. The filling was simply currants, butter, sugar, and a little very finely-chopped mint. I advise everyone to try them; powdered mint would probably do, but possibly would not be quite so good. Just a pinch in each; how large a pinch depends upon your taste.

GINGERBREAD BOYS

Here's a real Christmas delight, ginger cookies suitable for gingerbread boys.

2/3 cup fat
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 cup molasses
2 eggs
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon ginger
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon salt
4 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
Cream fat, sugar. Add molasses, eggs, milk. Add rest of ingredients and chill dough. Roll out, dough or break off small pieces. Place cookies 2 inches apart on greased baking sheet and bake 10 minutes in moderate oven.

For gingerbread boys, roll out dough and cut out "boys" by tracing around paper pattern.

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PRE-VIEW****COCKTAIL GOWN**Features Luxurious
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King Winter has commanded luxury and designers of feminine fashions have answered with rich colours, exotic fabrics and flashing stones. Foremost of these striking new gowns is a cocktail ensemble worn by Barbara Stanwyck. The primly tailored little tunic with its Chinese collar is cobalt blue brocade woven with glowing crimson and gold. The skirt, with draped fullness in front, is a matching blue baghera. Jeweled buttons fasten the tunic which is belted gold. A headress of braided brocade set with jewels is worn with the ensemble. Miss Stanwyck is currently starred in the title role of RKO Radio's "Annie Oakley."

RUFFLED TAFFETA

Lily Pons, famous French star of the Metropolitan Opera, has selected a ruffled taffeta gown for five o'clock wear. The fabric is a fine plaid in red, white and black. Pleated white organdie ruffles, backed by ruffles of the taffeta, edge the square neckline which is ornamented with shield-shaped rhinestone clips at each corner. Similar organdie ruffles are seen beneath the deep flounce of the dress fabric which edges the skirt. The belt fastens on the side with a huge wing bow. The famous singer is currently making her screen debut in RKO Radio's "I Dream Too Much."

**GRACEFUL
NIGHTROBE**Negligee Worn In
New Picture

Reminiscent of the graceful, romantic costumes worn in Shakespearean productions is the night robe and matching negligee worn by Princess Natalie Paley in RKO Radio's "Sylvia Scarlett" and designed by Bernard Newman. The chosen is sheer silver blue crepe. The gown, edged at the hem with fine, hand made lace, is accordion pleated, this line broken only by a band of pearls and silver cord, hand sewn, which cross the bodice in classic style. The flowing sleeves of the negligee are as long as the train. Slashed to the shoulder, they are set into the robe with bands of pearls matching those on the gown. The sandals, made without heels, are matching blue satin.

TUNIC FROCK

Elaborate snipping, a motif unusually popular this season, is the keynote of an attractive tunic frock worn by Ginger Rogers in "In Person," her later RKO starring film. The tunic is steel blue taffeta, the collar and long sleeves entirely shirred. Tiny self-covered buttons fasten it. The "butterfly" bow fastened to the collar with a baguette rhinestone pin, and the taffeta belt are dark blue. This same blue taffeta is used for the plain skirt which is made with a single box pleat in the center front. Stitching features the smart jacket hat worn with the frock, with its square crown and stiff veiling visor. The hat, gloves and shirred handbag are navy blue taffeta.

VELVET AFTERNOON HAT

For afternoon wear, Anne Shirley has selected one of the season's smartest ensembles, in this case created of black velvet and lace. The chic little hat is velvet trimmed with a black quill. The angle of the quill, placed across the front of the crown, and a saucy black veil, strike a youthful, piquant note. The velvet frock is cut in the tailored mode, the shirtwaist front fastened with cut crystal buttons. Tailored collar and cuffs are of hand made lace. Miss Shirley will next be starred in RKO Radio's "Chatterbox."

**ROUND THE
SHOPS****LAND CRAWFORD'S**

A bargain sale is now well under way in this establishment and it is hoped that their many customers will take advantage of this opportunity. Among the many articles that have been greatly marked down, are hats, shoes, dresses, etc., and this we feel is a grand opportunity for those who are considering the idea of replenishing their wardrobes, for the forthcoming damp and miserable weather that will soon be on us.

MAIZEE'S

Have just received, by the last mail a beautiful selection of Costume Jewellery in the form of Peanut Pecans and Walnuts. To give an idea of this modern Jewellery we feel that a few descriptive words would not be amiss. The Peanut Pecans Walnuts are hand carved from a very nice wood, and resembles the ordinary "NUTS" set on a gold clip in the form of a bar brooch, and we must say these are most unique and the first of its kind to be seen in the Colony. We strongly recommend friends to pay an early visit.

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Get set for a headline! Navy invades fashion field and gains sweeping victory! Joy Hodges is wearing a smart new cocktail frock styled with a wide sailor collar and short sailor sleeves. The buttoned bodice fastens at the collar with the approved middy tie. Of course Joy's dress is of chartreuse pebble satin, the buttons are rhinestone with an anchor motif and the tie brown velvet, but it's a "sailor" dress just the same. With frock, the young singer, who is currently featured in RKO Radio's "To Beat the Band," wears a cocky brown felt hat and brown suede accessories.

**Street Frock Worn
In New Film**

Even in a season noted for its unusual fabrics, a striking knit wool worn by Jane Wyatt in RKO Radio's "We're Only Human" is outstanding. The fabric, used only for the hip-length blouse, is a unique oval design of pearl grey against a dark blue background. Two enormous frogs of braided "cording" the loops hooked over rectangular buttons, fasten the bodice. The skirt is matching blue wool. With the ensemble, Jane wears a smart off-the-face hat, the brim folded back against the crown and fastened in place with a band of stitched felt. All the accessories are matching blue, the shoes and flat handbag being reptile.

The player ahead happened to be extremely bandy, and the man who followed on drove a ball right between them.
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1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.
7 to 7.17 p.m.—"Sonata in F Minor, Op. 57" (Beethoven) played by Frederic Lamond (Pianoforte).
7.17 to 7.30 p.m.—
A Recital by Maria Olezewska (Contralto).
1. Widmung—Du Meine Seele du mein Herz (Schumann, Op. 25, No. 1).
2. Nunc but the Weary Heart (Tschakovsky).
3. The May Night (Brahms).
4. Sappho Ode (Brahms).
7.30 to 7.45 p.m.—
Light Music
Blüher Pavilion (Armandola).
Traumende Glocken (Krome).
Serenade Pastiches (Sileau).
Live in Idleness (Macbeth).
Indiana Sweetheart (Hansen).
7.45 to 8 p.m.—
From the Studio
A Talk on "Village Life in India" by M. K. Vaidya.
8 p.m.—Local time and weather report, closing local stock quotations.
8.05 to 8.10 p.m.—Items from "Rose Marie" (Friml).
8.10 to 8.30 p.m.—
From the Studio
A programme of Light Russian Music by "The Z.B.W. Trio".
8.30 to 9 p.m.—
A Relay from Daventry
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 to 9.20 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.20 to 9.50 p.m.—
From the Studio
A 53rd Recital of Gramophone Records by The Rev. C. B. R. Sargent.
9.50 to 10.15 p.m.—
Military Band Music
Swan Lake—Ballet Music (Tschakovsky).—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
The Jolly Robbers Overture (Suppe).—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
Poet and Peasant Overture (Suppe, arr. Retford).—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10.15 to 10.45 p.m.—
Dance Music
Fox-Trot—Check to Check
Fox-Trot—No Strings
Fox-Trot—Isn't this a lovely day.
Fox-Trot—Top Hat, White Tie and Tails.
Fox-Trot—Bicollino.
These five tunes from "Top Hat" sung by Fred Astaire coming to Alhambra Theatre shortly.
Fox-Trot—Trotting along with you—"Broadway Joe".
Fox-Trot—Here's to Romance.
Fox-Trot—Midnight in Paris—"Here's to Romance".
Waltz—Marina.
10.45 to 11 p.m.—
A Relay from Daventry
"Looking Forward"—A survey of 1936 as it looks before it happens. Devised by John Pudney.
11 p.m.—Close down.
BERLIN PROGRAMME
9 p.m.—Call DJA, DJN (Germ. Eng.).
German Folk Songs.
Programme Forecast (Germ. Eng.).
9.15 p.m.—Songs of the Homeland round the Globe.
9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
10 p.m.—Working for Progress.
10.15 p.m.—Brass Band.
11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA and DJN.
11.30 p.m.—Today in Germany.
Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m.—Trio in C minor Op. 1 for Piano, Violin and Cello by Ludwig van Beethoven.
Hermann Beyer, Bernhard Leemann, Theo Schürger.
12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m.—Close DJA, DJN (Germ. Eng.).
RADIO MANILA
8 p.m.—Are You Listening? conducted by Bernice Nolasco.
8.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuters Agency)

QUOTATIONS

New York, January 1.
New York/London Cross-rate
New York Cotton—Mar.
New York Rubber—Mar.
Chicago Wheat—May.
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Dow Jones Averages High—1934/35 Low: Dec. 30. Dec. 31. Change
30 Industrials 114.00 113.25 113.25 1.18 up
30 Railroads 43.84 43.84 43.84 0.00
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Adams Express 102 111
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Borden Co. (1.80) 99 98
Borg. Warner (1d.) 51 51
Case 84 98
Canadian Pacific 11 11
Caterpillar Tractor 42 42
Ch. Nat. BK. (1.40) 42 42
Coke & Coke (2.50) 58 58
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A Paramount Picture

TO-MORROW

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AUTHOR-TRAVELLER

MARRIES ACTRESS

Miss Celia Johnson

London, Dec. 12.

The marriage of Mr. Peter Fleming, the author-traveller, to Miss Celia Johnson, until recently heroine of "The Wind and the Rain," now in its third year at the Savoy Theatre, London, was announced yesterday. The wedding took place quietly at the Old Church, Chelsea, on Tuesday.

Mr. Fleming, who is 28, is the eldest son of the late Major Valentine Fleming, D.S.O., M.P., and of Mrs. Valentine Fleming.

Miss Celia Johnson is the younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson, of Marshgate House, Richmond, Surrey. Although only 26, she has had a varied and successful stage career.

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"

If there is any truth to the saying that "a laugh a day keeps the doctor away," the medicos will be put out of business by the riotous Marx Brothers comedy, "A Night at the Opera" on the screen of the King's Theatre to-day.

By actual stop watch timing there are seventy minutes of solid laughs in the latest hit of the Merry Mad-caps, which was produced for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer by Irving G. Thalberg.

Fifty minutes of laughs were actually timed by Director Sam Wood when the Marx Brothers took their story (written incidentally, by George S. Kaufman, who wrote "Cocoanuts," in collaboration with Morrie Ryskind on a tour of Pacific Coast cities before a single scene was filmed. The additional twenty minutes of chuckles were added in the studio.

Groucho, Chico and Harpo decided that the picture should be a new departure in Marx Brothers' comedy—and it is! It is chock full of romance, brilliant singing and original comedy.

BROADWAY MELODY OF 1936

Six months of extensive preparation, including weeks of dance rehearsals, lengthy research for magic sets, designing of dresses and gowns by Adrian, a complete Broadway dress rehearsal for the penthouse number and four months of filming was necessary at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios for their most ambitious musical, "Broadway Melody of 1936," which opens on Saturday at the King's Theatre.

The modernized Manhattan pent-house, the setting for one of the five elaborate dance ensembles, is the largest ever built at that studio for a single musical sequence.

The furniture for the scene was controlled by springs and operated by a board similar in many respects to a piano. A slight touch on one of the keys caused a grand piano to rise to the level of the floor within five seconds. Other keys brought the same results with tables, chairs, fountains and lounges. By reversing the pressure of the keys the floor could be raised in a flash.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"A Night At The Opera"

QUEEN'S:—
"The Last Outpost"

ORIENTAL:—
"Stranded"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Here Comes The Band"

MAJESTIC:—
"The Best Man Wins"

STAR:—
"Car 99"

Coming

KING'S:—
"Broadway Melody of 1936"

QUEEN'S:—
"Two For To-night"

STAR:—
"The Scarlet Pimpernel"

ALHAMBRA:—
"Broadway Melody Of 1936"

HERE COMES THE BAND

To those who went to the Alhambra Theatre during the holidays, where "Here comes the band" starring Ted Lewis, famous American jazz leader amongst others, their choice was sound for grand entertainment was provided in a picture that was replete with music and gaiety.

The story itself was perhaps a little far fetched for in order to prove the rightful owner of a "song hit" a band complete in every essential, played in a court in an effort to show the Bench the source from which the "hit" originated. Needless to say, the Judge was convinced, and the rightful owner won the case with costs! However in spite of this slightly ludicrous situation, credence is given to the tale by the mirth provoking Ted Healy and Nat Pendleton who in truth, although given minor roles in the cast, dominate the picture from beginning to end, and Ted Lewis is only shown in scenes half way through the story.

Virginia Bruce provides the "heart throbs" with Harry Stockwell, Donald Cook and Spanky McFarlane in support. Around the love affair of Miss Bruce is woven the story. A scene depicting an amateur radio contest is quite the funniest seen for a long time on the silver screen. Among the song hits provided by Ted and his band are "Headin' Home," "Roll Along Prairie Moon" and "You're my Thrill."

In addition to the premier entertainment, a good "Laurel and Hardy" comedy short is presented and the latest M.G.M. Hearst Metrophone "News Reel."—S.M.N.

"CAR 99"

The exploits and adventures of the Michigan State Police, most famous of the nation's crime hunting forces, is the subject of "Car 99," the Paramount picture now at the Star Theatre, with Fred MacMurray, Mr Guy Standing and Ann Sheridan heading the cast.

Packed with thrills and mile-a-minute action, this is a colourful and authentic picture of what these peace-time soldiers must encounter in the performance of their arduous and often dangerous duty.

The stern sense of loyalty and devotion which this force inculcates in its men is revealed in the career of Fred MacMurray, who plays a rookie trooper. Urged by the girl he loves, he joins the force and soon distinguishes himself by bravery in the apprehension of criminals.

When the leader of the most dangerous gang of bank-robbers falls into his hands and out again through his carelessness, the young trooper is suspended from the force. Disgruntled and bitter at first, MacMurray crashes through to save the force's honour and round up the crooks after they have crippled the police radio station.

TIJKARANG RAMS K.M.A. WHARF

Sinks One Pontoon. Damages Two Others

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Sinking one pontoon, smashing two others, injuring three coolies, and sustaining slight damage to her rudder and her propeller, the stern of the s.s. Tjikarang, of the J.C.L., swung round into the Kai-lan Mining Administration Wharf on the Footing side about 10.30 on Tuesday morning. The ship was not sufficiently damaged to prevent her continuing on down the river bound for Java.

The accident occurred when the ship was swinging round after leaving the buoys preparatory to going down the river. Possibly due to the tide, the stern of the vessel crashed into the pontoons alongside the Wharf.

Six coolies were thrown into the river by the force of the collision. All climbed out safely, although three were injured and had to be taken to the Hospital.

Of the three pontoons, the number 1 was sunk by the ship. The second was badly damaged and wrecked from her moorings. The third was also badly wrecked, although being farther up the river than the other two, not receive the full impact of the collision.

"THE LAST OUTPOST"

A first Rate Film

"The Last Outpost" opened its initial screening at the Queen's Theatre on New Year's Day to packed houses.

That memorable photoplay "The Bengal Lancers" is still fresh in our minds, and here we have another British Military film which succeeds in retaining all the qualities that made the "Lancers."

Claude Rains, whose presence distinguished such films as "The Invisible Man" and "Crime With-out Passion" never fails to distinguish himself as a stern and staunch British Officer who forsakes love and all worldly pleasures for a life of desolation in the Indian Army.

The picture is characterised by dramatic, punchy action, with the romantic interest slightly subordinated, yet playing an important part in a grand friendship of two British officers.

Gertrude Michael plays the part of the wife, who after being married but two weeks, is left alone as her husband (Rains) is assigned to an Army Outpost in India. She becomes a nurse and after many lonely years meets Cary Grant, who is confined to hospital with a broken leg.

Not aware that she is the wife of his brother officer, Cary falls in love with Miss Michael and the story goes on to turn true friendship to enmity.

The direction of the film is good and the technique is first-rate.—C. J. A.

A worthy successor to the famous "Lives Of A Bengal Lancer," Paramount's newest contribution to the courage and loyalty of British Officers in the face of grim warfare in the Arabian deserts and jungles during the World War, "The Last Outpost," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, bids fair to be coming one of the most spectacular cinema shows of the season. Claude Rains in one of the leading roles in this courageous and magnificent drama in the fascinating Sudan country, delivers a vivid, outstanding performance as a British secret service agent. A notable portrayal as his brother officer and rival for the affections of the same woman whose love for one breaks up their friendship only to reunite them in a stronger spirit of comradeship, is given by Cary Grant.

"MAN ON THE FLYING TRAPEZE"

W. C. Fields, laugh promoter of the age, reaches the top of his form as a comedian and pantomimist in his latest laugh riot, "Man On The Flying Trapeze," coming soon to the Queen's Theatre.

With his particular gift for belly laugh comedy given full play, Fields carries the picture from one uproarious situation into another, pausing occasionally in his monkey-shines to allow the audience to catch its breath, and a moment later sending it off into gales of hilarity over the kind of

BRIDE'S HEIR-LOOM VEIL

MARRIED TO NEPHEW OF FORMER LORD PROVOST

Bridegroom A Solicitor

London, Dec. 13.

A beautiful veil of old embroidered Brussels net, family heirloom, was worn by Miss Frances Cecil Scott at her wedding yesterday to Mr. Thomas J. M. Whitson, solicitor, Forfar, in the West Church, Loanhead, Midlothian.

She is a daughter of Mr. Robert G. Scott, managing director of MacTaggart, Scott and Co. (Ltd.), and Mrs. Scott, Braehead, Loanhead, and the bridegroom is a son of the late Mr. David Whitson, W. S., and Mrs. Whitson, The Friarage, Forfar, and nephew of Sir Thomas Whitson, a former Lord Provost of Edinburgh.

The Rev. Thomas M. Paterson, Sinclairtown (late of Loanhead), officiated, assisted by the Rev. James Petrie, Loanhead, and the Rev. Thomas Helm, Forfar. The bride was escorted into church by her father, and Ian Cowe was best man.

Artistic Gown

The bride wore an artistic gown of ivory moire, made on medieval lines, with short bodice eased into a high-waisted skirt, the back panel of which formed a rounded train.

Effective rolls of the material accentuated the shoulders, and the neckline was draped with boot-shaped cowl effect. On the train was a spray of orange blossom from her mother's wedding gown. The veil and a halo headress of silver and a sheaf of lilies of the Nile completed the toilette.

The principal attendant was the bride's sister, Mr. Robin Prenter; Ann Macandrew was trainbearer, and the bridesmaids were Misses Mary Elizabeth Scott (sister), Claire Stuart Brown, and Dorothy Mount. All wore dresses of peach tulle, with gathered bodices, full puff sleeves, wide sashes, and skirts flared from the knee. They had halo headresses in gold lame and carried sheaves of tea roses.

Among the presentations were a silver cigarette-box from the Angus Girl Guides and a silver tray from MacTaggart, Scott and Co. (Ltd.), Loanhead.

SHARES IN TEA

Show Upward Tendency

London, Jan. 1.

Tea shares spurted in fine style following the decision by the International Committee on Production Control to maintain restriction of crops at the present rate.

Nevertheless there is some divergence of opinion in well informed circles, where an increase in exportable quotas is confidently expected. It is doubted if United Kingdom stocks are sufficiently large to allow maintenance of the restrictions at this level.

It is generally admitted that the Committee's action must lead to a substantial advance in prices but the effect is not determinable until the London auctions resume on January 6.

Meanwhile some mild critics believe any large advance in prices will probably result in retarding the present expansion of consumption and others express the fear that higher prices will again stimulate production in Japan, Formosa and China.—Reuter

QUEEN WILHELMINA

Amsterdam, Dec. 12.

It is announced from The Hague that Queen Wilhelmina, on account of a slight cold, will not attend the review of the Royal Marines on the 27th anniversary of their formation. This has aroused some anxiety among the public, who recall her illness early in the summer.

I am assured, however, that the Queen is only suffering from a cold in the head, and that she will review the Marines in a few days.

buffoonery for which he has so definitely a flair. An amusing and quite plausible story carries Mr. Fields from one uproarious to another incident. This time he is cast as a down-trodden, submissive husband persistently nagged by his wife and mother-in-law, consistently supported in his daughter, Mary Brian.

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Florence Rice

Rebuilding Of Quetta Will Cost £6,000,000

Work is to begin early in the New Year on the rebuilding of Quetta, which was destroyed in the earthquake of May.

The entire military cantonment lying to the north and east of the city is to be rebuilt. Much of the existing site is to be used, but the plan provides for the new buildings to be slightly to the north-east of those damaged in the earthquake.

By making this alteration there will be available a substantial rock foundation which is less subject to disturbance.

CANVEY ISLAND SURVEYOR

Lieut.-Colonel C. J. S. King, C.R.E., Baluchistan, will be in charge of the rebuilding of the cantonment area, and the Government of India have appointed Mr. Wylie, the earthquake commissioner, to assist the agent of the Governor-general in Baluchistan in dealing with many problems connected with the rebuilding of the city and civilian area of Quetta, and the resettlement of the population.

The appointment has also been made of Mr. Philip G. W. Stokes, surveyor to the Canvey Island (Essex) Urban Council, as civil engineer adviser for the rebuilding of Quetta.

The garrison of Quetta is at present at about half its normal strength. The other half have been moved to temporary quarters in Baluchistan and Sind. Those who remain are living in tents lined with mud walls and provided with fireplaces known as "vans huts."

Owing to the severity of the Baluchistan winter which prevents work with concrete, no building is yet in hand, but site clearing is being done.

To assist in this a railway line has been run into the city.

LEAVING IN JANUARY

Mr. Philip Stokes said to the "Evening Standard."

"I am leaving for India in January and expect to travel to Quetta shortly after reaching Bombay."

"I have had some experience in general constructive work and I believe that my services will be useful in advising on town planning and drainage."

It is anticipated that the task of rebuilding the cantonment and the civil area will take seven years and will cost over £6,000,000.

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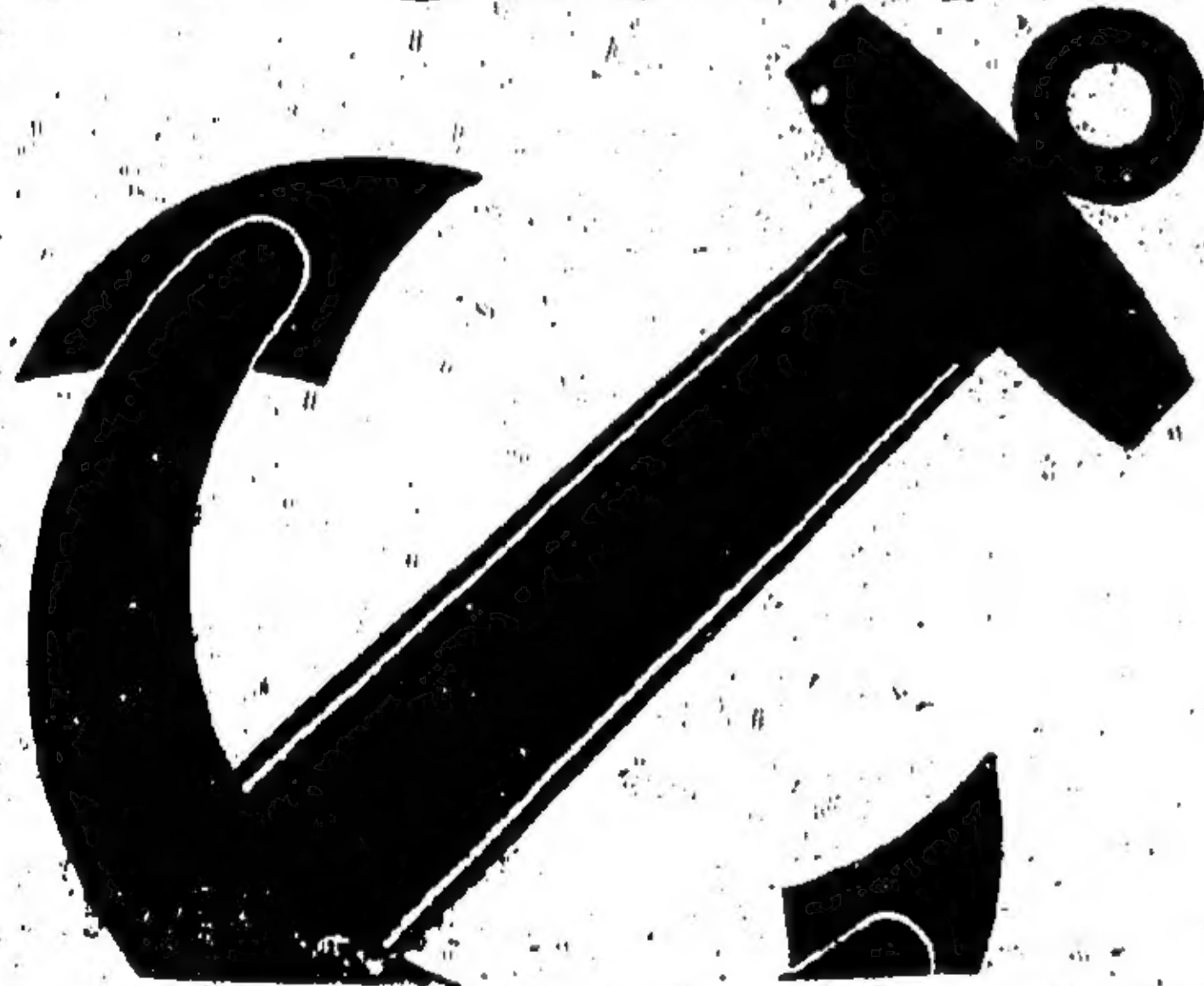


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LOCAL MEDICAL MEN HONOURED

O.B.E. For Dr. Moore;
And M.B.E. For
Dr. Gibson

Richly deserved honours have been bestowed upon two well-known local residents in the New Year Honours List. They are Dr. W.B.A. Moore, Deputy Director of Medical and Sanitary Services and Dr. R. McLean Gibson, formerly Superintendent of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals.

The former has been made an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (Civil Division) and the latter, Member of the same order.

DR. MOORE, O.B.E.

Dr. William Brownlow Ashe Moore, L.R.C.P.I., L.R.C.S.I., L.M. (Rot.) D.T.M. and H. (London) was born on August 8, 1879, at Navan, Co. Meath, Ireland, the son of J. H. Moore, M.A., A.L.M., of Dublin University, Past President of the Institute of Civil Engineers, Ireland.

Dr. Moore first arrived in Hong Kong in February, 1904, under agreement with Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Ltd., for one year as a ship's surgeon. In March of the following year, Dr. Moore joined the Government service as Assistant Medical Officer of Health, superintending for plague duties, and after six months was transferred from the Sanitary to the Medical Department.

He was seconded to the army in March, 1917, and spent two years in Mesopotamia, during the second of which he held the appointment of Special Plague Officer to the Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force, being attached to the Central Laboratory, Basra.

After his return to Hong Kong in 1918, Dr. Moore was for some time in charge of the Government Civil Hospital, doing duty later in Kowloon and at the Victoria Hospital. His wide and extensive experience and his profound knowledge of local conditions made him pre-eminently fitted for this appointment.

While on vacation, Dr. Moore represented the Hong Kong Government at the 7th Congress of the Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine held in Calcutta.

Dr. Moore has held several important medical posts and has acted as Director of Medical and Sanitary Services during which time he was a Member of the Legislative Council.

Dr. Moore was in 1907 Lecturer on various medical subjects at the old Hong Kong College of Medicine. He is now senior medical practitioner and senior J.P.

Dr. Moore is a prominent Freemason, and has held Office in the District Grand Lodge as Superintendent of Works and President of the Board of General Purposes.

He also takes a very keen interest in the St. John Ambulance Brigade of which he is District Surgeon and a Serving Brother of Jerusalem. Dr. Moore's recreations are golf and swimming though he was a devotee of rugby in his younger days. He is a member of the Thatched House Club, London, the Hong Kong Club and the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

DR. GIBSON, M.B.E.

Dr. R. McLean Gibson, M.D., C.M., F.R.C.S., who retired in April this year after 38 years' service as Superintendent of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, first came to Hong Kong in 1897 to take up the post. Since then the Maternity Hospital, the Ho Miu Ling Hospital and the Nurses' Home have been added.

Dr. Gibson in earlier years held the office of Director of Studies in the Hong Kong College of Medicine, until that Institution developed into the Medical Faculty of the newly formed Hong Kong University in 1912.

Speaking at a farewell gathering in April, a student of the old H.K. College of Medicine, paid a tribute to Dr. Gibson's patience and skill in the instruction of his students and the many kindnesses he showed them outside the hours of study.

Dr. Gibson's kindly disposition, patience and care of the Chinese had won the affection of the whole Chinese community and had done much to break down the prejudice amongst the poor against Western medicine.

In recognition of the long and valuable services rendered by Dr. Gibson to the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, a vote in the proposed new Netherlands Hospital is to be named the Gibson Ward.

Dr. Gibson, speaking at his

VALEDICTORY

Tribute Paid To
Prof. Shellshear

A large gathering of members of the Hong Kong University Medical Society, including members of the teaching staff, met together yesterday morning at the Union Assembly Room to bid farewell to Professor J. L. Shellshear who will be leaving the Colony for good to continue his research work on anthropology in the Sydney University.

Professor W. I. Gerrard presided, and among those present were Professor W. C. W. Nixon, Professor K. D. Digby, Drs. Herkiots, Paster, Li Shi Fan, Yeung Tsaw Chee, Lam Kow Cheung, K. D. Leng, Lim Ek Quee and Quak Cheng Kim.

Professor Gerrard in a short speech, said that he had been in association with Professor Shellshear for the past six years and he was very glad to say that they had been very happy ones. When he was suddenly taken ill last year and had to leave the Colony, Professor Shellshear very willingly took over the Deanship and now, his departure for Australia was certainly going to be a great loss to the University. He wished Professor and Mrs. Shellshear every luck.

Dr. Herkiots said that he had known Professor Shellshear for the last seven years and knew him to be a keen gardener like himself. He reminded the members present that the Professor was more well-known throughout the world than he was in Hong Kong. His work was keenly sought for by all anthropologists throughout the world.

In a brief speech Dr. Yeung Tsaw Chee said that Professor Shellshear was not only popular with Medicals but also with students of all other faculties. He was undoubtedly a painstaking teacher a helper and about all a good friend to students especially in the examination hall, and he took this opportunity of wishing him every success in the future.

Another speaker was Dr. I. Kow Cheong who paid high tribute to the Professor's work at the University. Professor Shellshear he said, had built up the Anatomy Department which formerly consisted of two or three bare rooms. Now there were innumerable specimens of the human anatomical parts with a fine array of skulls.

Addressing the gathering, Professor Shellshear said that he was leaving the Colony for Australia. There he would continue to do research work in the Sydney University.

On behalf of the Society Professor Gerrard presented him with a Peeking rug and a Fire Screen.

MADAM GORDON'S CONCERT

Madame Lottie Gordon will commence a series of Concerts on Saturday night January 4th at 8 p.m. at the Music Link Club rooms, 14 Hart Avenue, also on Wednesday January 8 at 8 p.m.

An excellent programme (vocal and instrumental) of great masters, also Australian and Hong Kong music will be presented. Madame Gordon will be assisted by Madame Andreffu (Russian Gypsy Songs) Miss Clotilde Andrade (pianist) Misses Dorothy and Winifred Raven and Mr. E. Moore in a Shakespearean act. Also a fancy dance by Little Dolores Landau.

A specialty of this Club Concert will be the introduction of young musical artists. Tickets are available at the Moutrie's Anderson Music Store and Tsang Fook Piano Co. or from Madame Gordon at the Music Link Rooms, 14 Hart Avenue, Kowloon.

GOLD OUTPUT

"The Hong Kong Stock Exchange" have received a cable from Messrs. Derlek & Co. Local Secretaries in Singapore, of the East Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd. announcing the output for the four weeks ending December 28 1935 to be 1904 ounces.

At a farewell, urged the Colony to take up more seriously the treatment of tuberculosis. Part of the organization existed in the shape of dispensaries and hospitals, but more needed to be done.

Dr. Gibson, called for Hong on May 4.

FORGED BANK NOTES

CASE AGAINST
CHINESE

Prosecution Closes

The case for the Crown was completed yesterday at the Central Magistracy, before Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen, against Fan Shu, master of the Kam Cheung Piece Goods shop, Cheung Kin Pui, bookkeeper of the On Lok Yuen Cafe, No. 25 Des Voeux Road Central, and Sze Po Wai, unemployed, charged with the possession of forged bank notes.

The first defendant was represented by Mr. Hin Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, second defendant was defended by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, and the third accused was defended by Mr. F. G. Nigel.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, assisted by Detective Inspector K. W. Andrew conducted the case for the Crown.

Cheung Kin-pui was charged with the possession of a forged \$10 bank note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Fan Shu faced charges of uttering a forged \$50 banknote of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the possession of one forged \$50 note of the same bank and nine forged \$10 banknotes of the Chartered Bank; and Sze Po-wai was charged with possession of a forged \$50 note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, a forged 20 piastre bank note, and a forged 5 piastre note of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine.

WAITING FOR A SHIP

Lai Cheong Sing, of No. 21 Ring Loong Street in reply to the prosecutor, said that he knew the third defendant for 8 years. On November 24, defendant was discovered in his shop by the police. Defendant had been living in the shop for a few days, but witness was not sure of the exact date when defendant came to the shop. Referring to defendant, witness said that the former was unemployed at that time. He was merely in the shop, waiting for a ship to take him to the Straits Settlement.

Witness added that he did not know the first defendant. Cross examined by Mr. Nigel, witness said that he knew 3rd defendant was going to the Straits Settlement, as he (witness) had made the defendant's acquaintance in Batikpapan, where the A.P.C. had an installation.

NO MENS REA

At the conclusion of his cross-examination, Mr. Nigel submitted that so far as his client was concerned the Crown had not a iota of evidence to show that his client had knowledge that the notes in question were forged. The ordinance under which defendant was charged read "knowing the thing to be forged." Mr. MacFadyen said that authorities were all agreed that when more than one note was found, it did raise a presumption of knowledge, quite apart from other considerations. It was not for him to decide this point, but a jury.

Mr. D'Almada Remedios said that he was in agreement with Mr. Nigel's remarks. The Crown had failed to prove knowledge that the notes were forged.

The Magistrate said that these were merely preliminary proceedings, and that he could only discharge defendants when he thought that there was definitely no case to answer.

The case was adjourned until 2.30 p.m. this afternoon, when both Mr. D'Almada Remedios and Mr. Nigel will have an opportunity to cross-examine witness.

THE FIRST TELESCOPE

It is a rare cry from the giant telescope which is now being constructed in the United States, with its twenty-ton reflecting mirror of 200 inches diameter, to the little instrument made by Galileo and first used in 1610. But this reflecting telescope "The Starry Galileo" was the first practical telescope ever made. It magnified thirty times, and through it Galileo first saw the mountains on the moon, the satellites of Jupiter, and Saturn's rings. It is true that he had previously made a small telescope out of an old brass pipe and two spec's lenses, but as that only magnified three times it was not exact.

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Sir E. Wild's Humble Friends

WHEN HE WAS WEDDING
GUEST OF CAFE GIRL

The late Sir Ernest Wild, K.C., Recorder of London till his death just over a year ago, had, despite his position, many humble friends. The authorised biography written by Colonel Robert J. Blackham, an Under-Sheriff of the City of London, shows that one of the outstanding features of Sir Ernest's brilliant and many-sided character was that he was a "magnificent mixer," and relates that shortly before his death he sat in a corner of a little back kitchen in Fulham as the wedding guest of a cafe cashier.

"He had promised the little bride to be present," the author states, "and there he was, the Magnificent Mixer, making himself absolutely one of that humble party."

"He chatted with any of the guests who happened to be near him, and quickly made them forget that he was a famous Judge, and they were working people. "When the wedding breakfast was over and the cake had been cut, the Recorder proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom. He took as much trouble over his speech as if he had been in Buckingham Palace, and made his hearers feel that there was no such thing as social differences."

"Afterwards he passed his cigarettes round the company and joined in the fun like a boy. It was kindly actions like this that made the Recorder so widely beloved."

Words of Encouragement

Colonel Blackham tells many other stories to illustrate the Recorder's humanity and generosity, and his desire to encourage young members of his profession.

"By a word of congratulation at the end of a case," he writes, "Wild would send a young barrister out of court with a greater confidence in his future at the Bar."

"Once, when there had been an incident of this sort, the young lawyer told Sir Ernest that his mother had come to court to hear him, as he was conducting his first defence."

"I should like to meet her," said Sir Ernest, "and tell her what a clever son she has."

"And then the Recorder, with one of his charming smiles, asked the proud mother to accept his nosegay of roses of the Old Bailey."

LADY WINIFRED CECIL

Lady-in-Waiting To The
Duchess Of Gloucester

The "London Gazette" last night announced that the Duchess of Gloucester has appointed Lady Letitia Sibell Winifred Cecil to be a lady-in-waiting.

Lady Winifred is the elder daughter of the Marquess of Exeter, Hereditary Grand Almoner, and sister of Lord Burghley, M.P., the athlete, who married Lady Mary Montagu-Douglas-Scott, sister of the Duchess of Gloucester.

MEDAL FOR SIBELIUS

Ritter has awarded the Goethe Medal for science and art to the Finnish composer, Jean Sibelius, on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

Lord Shrewsbury Engaged

THE PREMIER EARL

London, Dec. 12.

The engagement is announced of the Earl of Shrewsbury, premier Earl of England and Ireland, to Miss Nadine Crofton Atkins, daughter of Brig.-Gen. L. R. Crofton-Atkins, of Crediton, Devon. Lord Shrewsbury, who is a godson of the King and Queen, came of age on Dec. 7 and Miss Nadine Crofton-Atkins was a guest at his coming-of-age ball at Ingestre Hall, Staffordshire, on Tuesday.

Lord Shrewsbury's father, Capt. Viscount Ingestre, was killed in action in January, 1915. His mother, a sister of the Marquess of Anglesey, married in 1917 Mr. Richard Pennoyer, who was formerly in the United States Diplomatic Service.

The earldom of Shrewsbury was conferred in 1442 upon Sir John Talbot, the great general in France during the time of Henry VI. Four years later he was made Earl of Waterford and Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. The family records can be traced back to the days of the Norman Conquest.

Lord Shrewsbury, who is the 21st earl, succeeded to the title in 1921, when he was seven years of age, upon the death of his grandfather.

He comes into the possession of large estates in the Midlands this month, and proposes to concern himself with their management. For some time past he has been studying estate management at the estate offices of the Marquess of Bath.

DECEMBER WEATHER

The first three weeks of December were unusually cloudy and damp for the time of year, 8 days during this period being completely sunless. Drizzle or rain fell every day from the 1st to the 8th, and on the 20th and 21st. On the 22nd the weather cleared up and remained brilliantly sunny until the end of the month.

The mean temperature for the month was 56.4° F., which is 7.5° below normal. A maximum temperature of 78.0° was recorded on the 1st, and a minimum of 44.7° on the 14th. The mean relative humidity was 74% against a normal of 89%.

The total sunshine amounted to 130 hours, a deficiency of 43 hours.

A maximum wind velocity of 40 m.p.h. was reached at 8 a.m. on the 31st.

Rainfall amounted to 1.04 inches, against a normal of 1.15 inches. The total rainfall for 1935 was 71.22 inches, against a normal of 85.16 inches.

BRITISH MUSEUM

Mr. E. J. Forsdyke To
Be Director

London, Dec. 12.

It is announced that the Home Office has appointed Mr. Edgar John Forsdyke, M.A., F.S.A., Keeper of the Department of Greek and Roman Antiquities at the British Museum, to be Director and Principal Librarian of the Museum in the room of Sir George Francis Hill, K.C.B. who will retire at Midsummer next.

"KIDDIES" DAY ON NEW YEAR

K.C.C. Sports Meeting

HAPPY GATHERING AT POLICE RECREATION CLUB

The Annual Children's Sports Meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club was held on New Year's Day on the Club's ground and was largely attended. The event was another success and apart from the races for the kiddies several side shows were also provided for the adults. Music was supplied by the band of the Empress of Japan and at the close of the sports, His Honour, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, the president of the Club introduced Lady Southern to the gathering and expressed thanks on behalf of the Club and appreciation for her kindly interest in the function expressed by her presence there that day. They were indebted to Lady Southern for coming to distribute the prizes, said Mr. Lindsell. He also extended thanks to members and others who had subscribed to the sports fund and thereby made it possible for the club to continue this annual event. Lady Southern suitably acknowledged the vote of thanks and congratulated the K.C.C. on continuing to organise such a popular and happy function.

AT THE VALLEY

The Police Recreation Club held a very successful "Kiddies" day on New Year's Day when a large gathering of children and parents were present to do justice to the function.

Sports and other diversions were provided for an excellent day's fun and in Mr. A. J. Manton's Santa Claus the kiddies had their expectations fulfilled when presents from the Christmas tree were distributed. Mr. W. Ward

ably assisted by Mr. Curtis did all the clowning of the day.

The "Invicta" Dance Band of H.M.S. Kent rendered selections during the afternoon and at the conclusion of the day's sports supplied music to an informal dance which was held.

After the kiddies had received their presents, Mr. F. W. Shafrin, Chairman of the Police R.C., in calling on Mrs. King to distribute the sports prizes, expressed thanks on behalf of the Committee, to Mr. Ward and Mr. Manton; also to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. E. Marks and Mrs. Thorpe who had done a considerable amount of work in preparation for the function. He also thanked Mr. D. Fitches, Hon. Secretary of the Club, and Mr. J. H. Taggart, who had taken a keen interest in the children of the Police Club for over 20 years. It was a great honour and pleasure, he concluded, to have Mrs. King, wife of the Hon. Inspector General of Police, present that afternoon.

Mrs. King then distributed the prizes and was the recipient of a bouquet of flowers in a silver vase presented by Miss Maureen Chester-Woods. Gifts were also presented to Miss Kathryn King and Miss Janet King (who was unable to attend owing to indisposition) while souvenir gifts were given to Mr. Ward and to Mr. W. S. Glendinning who has worked hard for the Club for many years in connection with the preparation of the ground for the party.

After the distribution of prizes the kiddies were entertained by the Tai Chung Wah Troupe of conjurers. Dancing was later indulged in by those present.

TIGERS SEEN AGAIN

Police Patrol Within Four Yards Of Beasts

That tigers are roaming at large in the peninsula are given further proof by a Police Patrol who saw two of the beasts in the New Territory on Wednesday night.

According to a message from the Tai Po Police Station a patrol of four Indian policemen while on duty saw the two tigers at about 12.45 a.m. on Wednesday near Sheung Wan Yu Village, Tai Po district. The patrol were within four yards of the beasts, but before any action could be taken the tigers leapt into some bushes and disappeared from view.

From time to time these tigers were reported to have been seen by some one or other. The last report was sometime at the beginning of the present week when gardeners working in the Kowloon City district were said to have seen the beasts prowling around early one morning.

SWEDISH FLEET CARGOES

Threatened Boycott By Transport Union

The Swedish Transport Workers' Union, it is reported, has informed the Shipping Ship Association that all work on the loading and unloading of auxiliary sailing ships and small motor-ships in Swedish harbours will be boycotted by the Union as from tomorrow.

The Union demands that all work in future shall be carried out by members of the Union. The Swedish auxiliary sailing fleet consists of about 900 ships, employing 4,000 men. A Stockholm newspaper declares that the action proposed by the Union simply means a death blow to the whole of the auxiliary fleet, which is already fighting hard to maintain itself economically. At present freights are based on the ships' crews doing the loading

K. C. C. CARNIVAL DANCE

Very Few Fancy Costumes Sported

The Kowloon Cricket Club New Year's Eve fancy dress carnival dance, which was held on Tuesday night, proved to be a tremendous success.

The large number of revellers gathered in the tastefully decorated club premises and danced to the strains of music supplied by Nura Kanis and her band. At midnight all those present joined hands and "Auld Lang Syne" was sung amid good cheers and friendliness.

Although there was a rather disappointing number of people wearing fancy costumes, those who did parade made a brave showing and were loudly applauded for their efforts.

For the best dressed lady, Miss Allison Mackenzie deservedly won, she presented the delightful study of a Hawaiian Maiden. Mrs. F. Goodwin easily captured the award for the most original lady's dress with her "Eat More Fruit" creation. Mr. S. A. Gray (Gusman) was awarded the prize for the best dressed gentleman, and Mr. Teddy Ramsey (sports) secured honours for the most original costume.

A highly amusing diversion was created by Mrs. Goodwin and Mr. Sikestone, who during an interval entered the ball room arrayed as Oliver and Hardy in "Bonnie Scotland" outfit. They and their Highland Flings were rapturously received by the company, who insisted upon encores.

Mrs. E. Abraham and Mrs. F. A. Munn acted as judges of the fancy dresses and Mr. F. A. Munn efficiently fulfilled the duties of M. C.

As usual, the refreshments were in the capable hands of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., and unloading. The situation, it states, lies in bringing about an increase in freight by the Shipping Ship Association has worked for 25 years to get the minimum rates for small sailing but the competition of other Baltic tonnage has often proved a barrier. The boycott will also apply to foreign ships in Swedish harbours.

"LADY PRECIOUS STREAM"

AN OLD ROMANTIC TALE

Happiness From Sorrow and Poverty

"Lady Precious Stream" is an old romantic tale of sorrow and poverty turning to happiness and riches, of a type that has been popular in all countries in all ages, and Precious Stream herself is but a Chinese Cinderella who passes from poverty and rags to royal splendour and marriage with the fair prince. And as in all such popular tales, the human craving for final justice is satisfied at the close. Cinderella-Precious Stream, who prefers poverty with the man of her choice to a forced marriage and wealth, triumphs in the end and queens it over her dictatorial father and spiteful sister, and the villain duly gets his due. The simple tale moves in a dialogue that is often delicately subtle, and not without its touches of wit. "We live and learn," says the Tiger General, jeering at the apparent surrender of poor starving Precious Stream. "On the contrary, we live, but learn nothing," sarcastically replies his wiser elder brother, Precious Stream, trapped by her mother into granting pardon to her enemy the Tiger General against her will, seeks to evade her promise. "Well, even if I have promised you, I am afraid my husband won't listen to me." "No, I won't," says the king, taking her hint. "But you must," rejoins the old lady. "All the best families in this and every other kingdom are ruled by the wife."

THE PLOT

The plot of "Lady Precious Stream" is not complicated. Wang, the Prime Minister, has three daughters: Golden Stream, Silver Stream, and Precious Stream. Only the last and youngest is unmarried. To remedy this, he calls a family council and announces that on his youngest daughter's sixteenth birthday he will give a feast in his garden and invite all her young and wealthy suitors. She will then mount into a beautiful pavilion and throw down an embroidered ball, and the suitor who catches it will be the lucky man. The result will thus be the will of God. Precious Stream protests, but in vain. The day arrives, and the suitors. But Precious Stream, preferring her own will to the will of God, has meanwhile made her own arrangements, and when the ball is thrown it is the athletic and handsome young gardener who catches it. On learning the identity of his new son-in-law the Prime Minister fumes, and the family is thrown into consternation, but Precious Stream refuses to give up the man of her choice and leaves the house amidst the sneers of her sister, swearing never to return till she is quite rich and prosperous.

BRIDE TO A CAVE

Reduced now to poverty, the gardener takes his bride to a cave, and in desperation joins the army. A brave deed, "earth film" production, he is sent on the Western Punitive Expedition, but is cut off beyond the passes and cannot return. In this far land he gains the favour of the Princess and rises to be king, and is elected to marry the Princess. Eighteen long years have gone by since he parted from his young wife in the humble cave. Rumour has it that he is dead, but Precious Stream suspects that he is unfaithful, and sends him a letter, "from her skirt, written in her blood," beseeching him to return. Stricken with remorse the new king mounts his horse and travels back through the passes to China, hotly pursued by the too-loving and indignant Princess. He draws rein as the humble cave, but Precious Stream shuts her door against the heathered stranger, and only believes that it is indeed her husband when he produces the letter, which she had put in the rent in her skirt. The news of her husband's royal rank compensates for her eighteen years of misery; a queen now herself, she returns "rich and prosperous" to the Wang mansion, bringing the despised gardener, now a king, with her. An Imperial Messenger arrives with confirmation of her husband's elevation to kingly dignity, and the play closes with the fitting punishment of the malignant Wei, the Tiger General. To ensure fidelity to the Chinese stage tradition the producer, Mr. E. G. Birch, has secured the cooperation of one of the most famous

NEW YEAR HONOURS

Two New Viscounts And Four Peers

London, Jan. 1. There are two Viscounts and four new Peers in the New Year's honours list. Lord Hanworth, lately Master of Rolls, and Lord Trenchard, who has just retired from being Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police become Viscounts, and Sir Arthur Shirley Bann, Sir James Gomer Berry, Sir Thomas Catto and Sir Ian Macpherson receive Baronetries. The last-named is Member of Parliament for Ross and Cromarty and had already announced his intention to retire from the House of Commons. The name of the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, has been mentioned in connection with the by-election just necessitated.

NEW KNIGHTS

In the general honours list, 34 Knightships are conferred. New Knights include four Members of Parliament and also a number of distinguished workers in academic and cultural fields. Among the latter are the Vice-Chancellor of Liverpool University, Dr. Hetherington; Professor Harden, Emeritus Professor of Biochemistry at the London University; Professor Percy Buck, Professor of Music in the London University; Mr. Humphrey Milford, of the Oxford University Press; and Professor Alfred Zimmern, Lieutenant Colonel Sheilermere, Director General of Civil Aviation, also becomes a Knight.

A number of honours are conferred in connection with the centenary of the Great Western Railway, and at the head of these is the Chief Accountant, Mr. Ralph Cope, who has been in the service of the Company for 58 years. Mr. Walter Ernest Hargreaves is knighted for services including advice given in connection with the scheme of the Government guarantee which enabled work on the Cunard-White Star liner Queen Mary to be resumed; and Mr. James Norval Ince, recognition of his work for housing and town planning.

Mr. John Dover Wilson, Professor of Literature at Edinburgh University, a distinguished educationist and authority on Shakespeare, is made a Companion of Honour.

DUKE OF KENT HONOURED

The Royal Victorian Chain has been bestowed on the Duke of Kent. This Order is a decoration founded by King Edward VII and is conferred only on special occasions. It is held only by persons of great distinction, the holders including the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Earl of Derby. Many appointments to and promotions in the various Orders of Chivalry are announced. In the Royal Victorian Order, the Duke of Buccleuch, brother of the

Duchess of Gloucester, becomes a Knight Grand Cross.

In the Order of St. Michael and St. George, Sir Robert Clive, British Ambassador at Tokyo, becomes a Knight Grand Cross, and Mr. Ronald Campbell, Minister at Belgrade, and Mr. Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen, Minister at Teheran, become Knights Commander.

In the Order of the British Empire, Sir Sydney Barton, British Minister at Addis Ababa, becomes a Knight Grand Cross, and Mr. A. W. Keown Boyd, Director-General of the Egyptian Ministry of Interior, is appointed a Knight Commander.

WOMEN RECIPIENTS

Many honours are conferred on women recipients, including Miss Christabel Fankhurst, for pioneer social and political work for women, who becomes a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire, and Miss Myra Hess, who is made a Commander in the same Order for services to music.

Field Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode is appointed to the Order of Merit.

Mr. J. F. Marshall, Honorary Director of the British Mosquito Control Institute at Hayling Island, is made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire, while Miss Ethel Green, Lady Superintendent of Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service for India, receives the Royal Red Cross in recognition of exceptional devotion and competency in nursing duties.

An Admiralty announcement states that the Duke of York has been promoted Vice Admiral in the Fleet. The Duke is also promoted Lieutenant General in the Army and Air Marshal in the Air Force.

British Wireless

A "Reuter" message states that the new Baronesses include Mr. Francis Noel-Miller, Chairman of the General Life Assurance Co., and Sir Park Goff, Conservative M.P. for Chatham; Mr. P. J. H. Honnor, M.P., Chairman of the British Commonwealth Union, is made a Knight Bachelor; Miss Olga Nethercole, the actress is given the C.B.E. decoration; while the C.B.E. decoration is conferred on Lieut.-Col. E. H. M. Sifford, in charge of the Anglo-Abyssinian Boundary Commission during the Ualul incident.

Funeral Of Plane Crash Victims

MANY ATTEND SERVICES IN KIAOCHOW ROAD CHAPEL

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

Funeral services for Captain Fritz Brohm and Board Operator Friedrich Meyer, who were killed near Lingtai in an aeroplane crash on November 17, were held in the chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, at 11.30 a.m. yesterday. The Rev. Mr. Krueger of the German Protestant Church officiated, while Captain R. Walter, vice-president and technical manager of the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, spoke highly of them in his speech.

Lined with a number of wreaths, the chapel was thronged with a number of friends. Lieut.-Col. Hermann von Kriebel, German Consul-General, and high officials of the Eurasia Corporation were among those who attended. The bodies will be sent to Germany early next month for interment.

The fatal accident occurred when they were forced to make a sudden landing due to ice forming on the wings of the firm's Junkers monoplane. In order to ensure safety, a tri-motored plane is being used for the Lanchow-Sian service.

Among those sending flowers were—

Deutsche Lufthansa A.G.; Die deutschen Arbeitskameraden der Eurasia; Eurasia Aviation Corporation; Die Flugkapitane der Eurasia; Deutsches Generalkonsulat Shanghai; N.S.D.A.P. Ortsgruppe Peking; China National Aviation Corporation; Deutsche Gemeinde; S. A. Sportabteilung; Schneider; Teiping; Frank H. Cohl; Dai Eaki; Herr und Frau Fritz Horn; Fritz Spide and Frau; Mr. and Mrs. E. Lubbner; F. Raack; Ernst Koehner; Z. Soldner; V. Wilder; Herr und Frau Adolf Wismann; Wong Chuan; Lee Ching Chong; and others.

LANE, CRAWFORD'S

GREAT

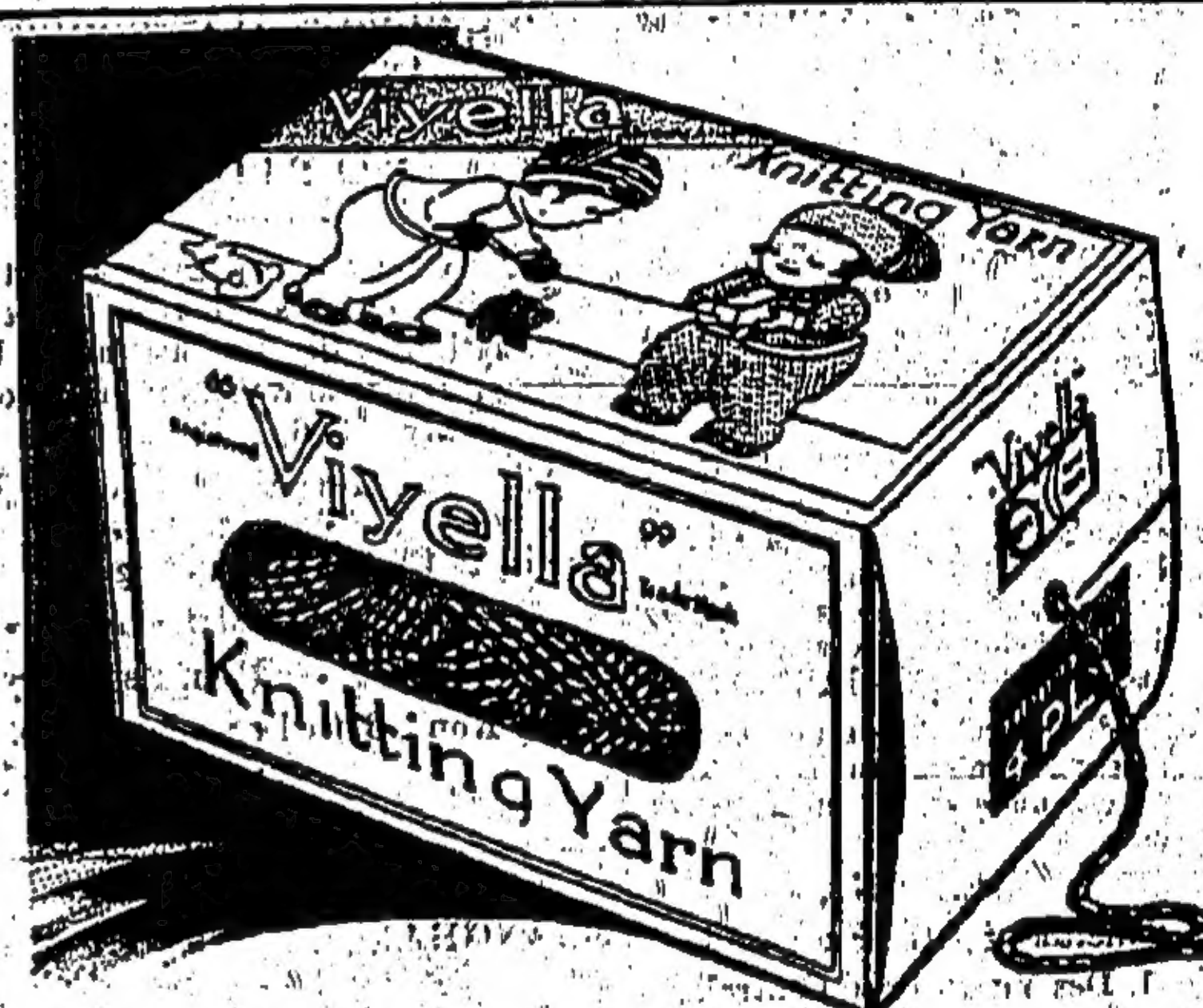
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The Killed

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Stockholm, January 2. The indignation felt here over the bombardment of the Swedish Red Cross unit in Abyssinia by the Italians is still on the increase. The Swedish Red Cross quarters assert that the bombardment was intentional and not due to an error of the Italian aviators. This also appears to be the view of an overwhelming majority of the Swedish public.

It is announced that the Swedish Red Cross will shortly send to Abyssinia another larger Red Cross mission which will be financed by funds raised by the public. Considerable sums for the equipment of the new unit have already been received by the Swedish Red Cross during the two days since the bombardment and numerous applications have been filing in from persons eager to serve as volunteers in the Swedish Red Cross in Abyssinia.

The Inspector General of the Swedish army's hospital service declared that during the entire world war not a single "atrocity" had been committed which was comparable to the Dolo incident. Reports received here and from other Scandinavian Capitals show that other countries are equally indignant about the bombing of the Swedish Red Cross unit.

The Norwegian Premier, for instance, expressed the view that "world public opinion will instantaneously condemn the Italian action."

The Finnish Premier and the Danish Foreign Minister also made statements showing their sympathy. The President of the Swedish Red Cross, Prince Charles received a telegram from King Gustav in which the latter expresses his profound sympathy in the loss sustained by the Red Cross mission. The incident has evoked an extraordinary session of the Red Cross which will be held on Thursday in Stockholm.

WORLDWIDE REGRET
Stockholm, Jan. 2. The bombing of the Swedish Red Cross unit is regarded here as a national calamity. The International Red Cross telegraphed sympathy, stating that Dr. Janod International Red Cross representative in Abyssinia, is flying to the scene to investigate.

Telegrams of sympathy are pouring in from practically all over the world including the British Red Cross.

Some comments compare the bombing to the sinking of the Lusitania during the Great War.

GRAZIANI'S REPRISAL
Addis Ababa, Jan. 2. It is officially stated that Commander Graziani, leader of the Swedish ambulance unit, and another Swede were wounded.

Thirty Ethiopian patients were killed. Fifty Ethiopian male nurses and patients were wounded.

The Italian raiding party consisted of twelve planes which flew over Ras Desta's forces and dropped leaflets signed by General Graziani declaring that the Abyssinians recently decapitated captured Italian airmen and therefore reprisals were necessary.

A quarter of an hour later the planes, flying at a height of several thousand feet, dropped many heavy bombs, some alleged to be "bombs."

Two Italian patients on the operating table were among those killed.

ITALIAN PRESS CLAIM
Rome, Jan. 2. The Italian papers anticipate outside indignation at the bombing of the Swedish Red Cross and say this will provide an unprecedented opportunity for the enemies of Italy to redouble anti-Italian propaganda.

The papers claim that the Swedish officers wounded were not ambulance officers but belonged to the Swedish Military Mission which was actually and actively aiding the Ethiopian forces.

RED CROSS MEETING
Stockholm, Jan. 2. Prince Charles, President of the Swedish Red Cross, has been called to the meeting of the Administrative Council of the Red Cross to-morrow.

The International Red Cross organization has declared its intention of sending its Abyssinian representative to the scene of the bombing to help the wounded and to enquire into the facts with a view to a protest.

It is learned that Commander Hylander was wounded in the right side and another Swede in the face.

SWEDISH REQUEST
London, Jan. 2. As the British Legation in Addis Ababa is in charge of Swedish interests in Ethiopia, the Swedish Government have made an urgent request that the British Minister should obtain on their behalf from the Ethiopian Government an official report on the bombing of the Swedish Red Cross ambulance unit alleged to have occurred on Monday on the Ogaden front. The Swedish Government's request has been immediately forwarded from London to the British Minister at Addis Ababa, Sir Sidney Barton.

EARLIER CABLES
Addis Ababa, Dec. 31. Ten Italian planes are alleged to have participated in the destruction of the Swedish Red Cross unit.

The total casualties are still unknown, but the latest report says that all the staff were killed with the exception of Commander Hylander, Dr. Smith Holm, a male nurse and an orderly, all of whom are wounded.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST IN SWEDEN
Stockholm, Dec. 31. The bombing of Swedish Red Cross hospitals in Ethiopia, funds for which were raised by national subscription, has created a feeling of horror and grief in Sweden, where many flags are flying at half-mast.

The newspaper "Frädagligt Allehanda" says the news comes as a severe blow to the nation and is a crime against international law. The dropping of bombs on an ambulance is, says the journal, terrible evidence of the ferocity of the Italian methods in waging war.

EMPEROR'S SYMPATHY
Addis Ababa, Dec. 31. The Emperor of Ethiopia has telegraphed condolences to the Queen of Sweden on the destruction of the Red Cross unit. Representatives of the Ethiopian Red Cross are proceeding to Ras Desta's headquarters to-morrow.

Commander Hylander is still alive, but is wounded in the back.

FOREIGN TRADE
OF ITALYDisorganised By
Sanctions

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Rome, Jan. 2. Italy's foreign trade is assuming such a changed aspect under the effect of sanctions, that the necessity for its uniform regulation and for the control of the foreign currency transactions at last has led to the creation of a special under-secretariat for foreign trade and foreign currencies directly under the personal direction of Signor Mussolini.

This new department will be endowed with all powers of corporations with the ministry. Its competence covers all economic relations with foreign countries, import and export, allotment of licences and the regulation of purchases of foodstuffs in the foreign countries for the state itself.

INDUSTRY AFFECTED
Paris, Jan. 2. Several industrial undertakings in Modane in Savoy have given factory hands and office staffs notice because, owing to sanctions against Italy, the works in question have no possibilities of finding useful occupation for employees.

One bank in Modane asked for a moratorium since considerable credit balances in Italy are frozen up by the sanctions.

SILVER MARKET
(From Our Own Correspondent)
London, Jan. 2. London silver prices to-day were down 1/8 on "Spot," and quoted for "Forward," as follows:

Dec. 31, Jan. 2.
Spot 22-1/2 22-3/8
Forward unquoted unquoted

HIGH COMMISSIONER OF PALESTINE
(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press").
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Jerusalem, Jan. 2. The extension of the term of office of the High Commissioner, Sir Arthur Wauchoppe, till 1941, announced here on Sunday, is regarded as confirmation that the Commissioner's plans for the constitution were approved in London.

The draft of the constitution, however, has already been subject to violent contention both in Arab and Jewish circles. Sir Arthur Wauchoppe has been Commissioner since 1931 and if he serves the full term of office will have held the post longer than any of his predecessors.

HITLER'S MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE
Berlin, Jan. 2. A broadcast message from C. G. Hitler to the people of Germany was read to-day by Dr. Goebbels. The message stated that the Germans appreciated the present stable regime in contrast to the disturbances and unrest elsewhere in the world and added that Germany was a bulwark of European discipline and culture against the menacing tide of bolshevism.

SPARE PROPELLOR FOR GIANT LINER
London, Jan. 2. A spare propeller for the liner Queen Mary which will arrive at Southampton from London weighing thirty-five tons and with a width of twenty feet was transported in a six-wheeled lorry which crawled along at the rate of five miles an hour. Several bridges en route were not sufficiently strong to bear the terrific weight and numerous detours had to be made.

TROOPS CHEERED
With the issue of an extra ration of wine, and special supplies along an eighty mile front, Italian troops spent a cheerful New Year's Eve, or as circumstances would allow. A constant watch had to be maintained against surprise attacks.

In the Tembien region, troops spent the evening with rifles at their sides, while powerful searchlights on hilltops constantly swept the country.

GREETINGS FROM KING OF ITALY
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Asmara, Jan. 2. The King of Italy has asked the High Commissioner for East Africa, Marshal Badoglio, to convey to the army, his New Year's greetings. The message wishes officers and non-commissioned soldiers of the land, sea and air forces, also Black Shirts, workmen and native troops, who have given so many proofs of their sense of duty and who are willing to sacrifice the best of good fortune in the New Year, and tenders thanks for the services to King and country.

PRESIDENT'S CONGRESS ADDRESS
Washington, Dec. 31. President Roosevelt will deliver his annual message to Congress personally on Friday at 9:30 p.m.

The unusual hour has caused widespread anticipation that the message will contain something of major importance, but the nature thereof cannot at present be predicted.

The message will be broadcast throughout the nation and one of the reasons for the lateness of its delivery is believed to be an intention of reaching as large an audience as possible.

SOUTHERN ENGLAND FLOODED
London, Jan. 2. Floods in many parts of Southern England were further aggravated yesterday by heavy rain, and although the forecast indicates that rain will again become general later, showers this morning were local. The extension of the flooded area has become serious in many parts of the Thames valley.

At Windsor and Eton the floods are the worst experienced since 1929 and the river, which at Windsor Bridge is 50 inches above normal is still rising. The town of Eton is surrounded by water and the playing fields of the College and the Windsor race course are under water.

The Thames Conservancy stated yesterday that yesterday's rate of flow of river at Teddington was about 7,500 million gallons in 24 hours. In many other parts of the country many roads are impassable and in the river valleys many houses and barns can only be reached by pinn.

ETHIOPIANS WITHDRAW
Paris, Jan. 1. According to a message from Addis Ababa, Ethiopian troops on the Tigre front have withdrawn some distance from their lines near Makale.

The withdrawal is stated to be due chiefly to the Italians' use of gas on December 23, against which the Ethiopians have no protection whatever.

Reports of the withdrawal lack official confirmation but it is stated that the troops commanded by Ras Mulu Gussa were particularly concerned in the retreat. Reports add that they have reformed their lines to the south of Addis Ababa, where the situation is most obscure.

HEAVY FIGHTING
Addis Ababa, Jan. 1. It is reported here that 23 Italian officers have been slain in heavy fighting on the northern front during the past several days.

The forces of Ras Kassa, Ras Seyoum and Ras Mulu Gussa are stated to be converging on Makale.

In their advance they have been opposed by stubborn defence and both sides have suffered heavy casualties.

A Rome communique, unusually brief, states that nothing of importance has occurred on the Eritrean, Somaliland or Makale fronts.

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From Abyssinian quarters it is stated that the intention is to evacuate the town of Harar altogether. Some time ago the military withdrew so that the town would not be bombed, but now also the civil population are required to withdraw as Italian attacks are feared.

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FIGHT FOR DANANE
London, Jan. 1. Apart from a major engagement at Danane on the Somaliland front to-day, the New Year brought no marked change in the position of the rival armies at death grips in northern and southern Ethiopia.

A summary of the situation is contained in messages from the various sectors.

A Rome communique claims the capture of the town of Danane, situated to the west of Gorrabel, and regarded as an important position from the point of view of communications.

It is reported that Danane was only occupied after an extremely fierce engagement, in which there were several hand-to-hand clashes, both sides relying entirely on rifles and bayonets.

Italian air force observers estimate the Ethiopians lost 100 killed and many more wounded, and that the Italian losses were numerically less.

CELEBRATING NEW YEAR IN MID-AIR
(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press").
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Received, January 2, 7:30 p.m.)

Paris, Jan. 2. Forty people who had determined to have a good time celebrating New Year at Chamonix by making a trip to Brevent Glacier on the cable suspension railway passed a whole day in mid-air anxiously wondering whether their adventure would end well or not.

Just as the two cable cars were right over the deepest point of the ravine, the cable became jammed. Seven hours of anxious work by the engineers in the snow and darkness was necessary before the cable could be freed and the holiday-makers, cold, hungry and tired out with standing so long, liberated from their nerve-racking predicament.

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EXTREMISTS IN EGYPT
Warning By The Government

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Cairo, Jan. 2. A solemn warning to extremist elements, especially to riotous students was issued by the Egyptian Government, which ordered the students to return immediately to the University and High School.

The warning emphasises that such anti-British demonstrations imperil Egypt's friendly relations with Britain and seriously prejudice the negotiations which are now going on for adjustment by treaty of Anglo-Egyptian affairs and is expected to terminate satisfactorily fears of the future.

The warning ends by threatening drastic action by the Government if the agitation does not cease forthwith.

ANOTHER OUTBREAK
Cairo, Jan. 2. Notwithstanding the Government warning, students continue their demonstrations. Several thousands from Elazhar University came to blows with the police to-day. One student was seriously injured and eight members of the police received slight injuries.

The police were forced to use shot guns against the Secondary School students at Abbasia, several of whom were injured.

HOME FOOTBALL
Thursday Match Results

London, Jan. 2. The following were the results of League football matches played to-day:

Division III (North)

Darlington 3 York 0

Scottish League

Aberdeen 3 Dumbfries A 3

Aldon R. 0 Motherwell 2

Clyde 0 Third Lanark 1

Hamilton 3 Airdrie 1

Hearts 3 Dundee 0

Kilmarnock 7 Ayr 2

Queen O'South 3 Arbroath 2

Rangers 3 Partick 1

St. Johnstone 2 Hibernian 2

The Queen's Park v Celtic match was not played.

In a friendly match, Queen's Park lost to Corinthians by the odd goal in three.

AIR MAIL HELD UP
London, Dec. 31. The Indian and Eastern air mail from London, despatched on December 24, has been held up at Rutbah Wells, in Iraq, for three days, owing to the aerodrome at Bagdad being rendered unserviceable by heavy rains.

The plane, however, was able to resume its journey early this morning, and hopes to make up the greater part of the lost time.

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HIGH COST OF TELEVISION

Funds Allocated Insufficient

London, Dec. 13. The B.B.C. has discovered, before the Alexandra Palace television station is ready, that the £180,000 allocated for the establishment and maintenance of the service until the end of next year is insufficient. This has become apparent since the contracts for the two transmitters and the adaptation of the building were placed.

Half the £180,000 was contributed by the Exchequer and the other half by the B.B.C. The balance now available for programmes and staff salaries is held to be inadequate, and money will have to be provided from the general funds of the B.B.C. Economies contemplated in the plans for the service will, it is feared, cramp development at the outset. The whole question of television finance is, therefore, in the melting pot.

Fifty more stations of the type being built for London would not cover the whole country. Yet, as an existing building is being converted at the Alexandra Palace and the station will broadcast for only three hours daily, future stations may well cost more. The next step will be to construct 10 other transmitters for the chief centres of population.

ULSTER REPORT
Finance has been the most difficult problem for the Ulster Committee, which is considering the renewal of the B.B.C.'s charter. Its report should have been presented to Parliament already, but has been delayed.

The Committee will almost certainly recommend that the B.B.C. receive an increased share of the licence revenue, but in well-informed quarters there is doubt whether the B.B.C. can meet television demands from income. In the present charter the B.B.C. is authorised to borrow up to £500,000, but it has never exercised that privilege.

Solutions of the difficulty may be found in the issue of a television loan or a separate 10s licence fee.

TELEVISION POSTS
Within 24 hours of the appearance of the advertisements of nine positions in the B.B.C. television service, including that of a woman announcer, 700 applications had been received at Broadcasting House.

"My father and a man named Dooley have been fighting for twenty years, but now they've stopped."

"Why? Did they bury the hatchet?"

Her father: "No, I came to ask you whether you would object to my marrying your daughter."

Her father: "My boy, you're only 21 and my daughter is 27. Why not wait a few years till you're both about the same age?"

NAVAL POWERS AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE

A Survey Of The World Position To-day

BY THE MARQUESS OF LOTHIAN

This is the first of a series of articles that will appear at intervals in which the points of view of the various nations now taking part in the Naval Conference in London will be put by their own representatives.

Armaments are the instruments of national policy in a world of Sovereign States, and the probability of success in any Disarmament Conference depends upon the possibility of agreement on policy. The Washington Naval Conference of 1922 reached agreement to limit the main categories of naval armament for two reasons.

The first was because the European group, Great Britain, France and Italy, were broadly satisfied with the peace settlement they had imposed, and through exhaustion wanted peace rather than change.

JAPAN'S CLAIM TO PARITY

The second was because the naval Powers fronting on the Pacific were willing to agree upon the maintenance of the integrity of China and the "open door" therein, and "equality of security" as the basis of policy in the Far East. The latter was to be achieved by stabilising their fleets on the ratio of 5-5-3, which represented roughly their then relative strength, and by demilitarising the seas between the three main naval bases of Hawaii, Singapore and Japan.

The General Disarmament Conference which met for so many years recently at Geneva, and the Three Power Naval Conference which met a year ago, failed because there was no agreement on policy. In the Pacific Japan was no longer willing to accept the political principle of the integrity of China, and demanded "parity" not in security, but in naval armaments.

In Europe, France was unwilling to concede arms equality to a resurgent Germany without guarantees for security more potent and more prompt than those contained in the Covenant of the League of Nations and the Locarno Treaties. Germany, on her part, was unwilling to continue legally "defenceless" 15 years after the Armistice, and in view of the rapidly rising military and air power of Soviet Russia.

INACTION IN CHINA

Is there, then, a political basis on which a successful naval agreement can now be arrived at in London? We can only speculate, as the Powers have not yet declared their selves.

The main centre of controversy is the British-American-Japanese triangle. The British and the Americans are still satisfied with the Washington principle. They want the integrity of China and the "open door" and "equality of security" in the Pacific.

Neither of them is willing to connive at the partition of China by Japan, partly for reasons of commercial self-interest, partly because, as unrepentant democracies, they both believe in the liberal international principles which prevailed in the World War, and were so eloquently set forth in President Wilson's speeches.

But neither of these Powers has so far been willing to intervene with Sanctions, blockade, or naval action under the Covenant of the League or the Nine-Power Washington Treaty to resist Japanese aggression against China, either singly or together, or in co-operation with the other members of the League, or signatories of the Kellogg Pact. That has become clear since 1931, though there is still controversy as to which Power bears most responsibility for the failure to take common action.

"EQUALITY OF SECURITY"

Both the British Empire and the United States seem adamantly resolved not to yield in the matter of "equality of security." They say that the history of the past five years proves that Japan already has security, because her co-signatories have not felt strong enough to interfere with her violations of the Nine-Power Treaty; that the United States has two oceanic fronts to protect, one in the Atlantic and the other in the Pacific, while Great Britain has the immense line of her Empire communication running from the North Sea to New Zealand, through the Mediterranean or round the Cape of Good Hope, while Japan has only the single "front" facing the Pacific.

They consider, therefore, that Japan's demand for naval parity is, in fact, a demand not for "equality of security," but for decisive supremacy in the Pacific. There is no reason to suppose that any of these Powers, who accept parity between themselves, will not continue to insist on the ratio of

five to Japan's three, by agreement or without agreement.

Japan, on the other hand, is afraid that an Anglo-American combination, especially if supported by Russia, might force her to abandon or limit her expansion on the mainland, and her desire to expel non-Asiatic Powers from influence in the Far East. Japan demands naval parity as necessary both to national honour and to ensure absolute security from possible pressure or attack from the sea.

WHERE THE PURSE MAY DECIDE

Probably no Japanese delegation, or Government could remain in power if it accepted by treaty any lower "ratio" than that of parity.

At this moment there seems to be little hope of agreement about "quantitative" limitation between these opposing points of view. Eventually the governing factor is likely to be the purse. It may be easier for Japan to acquiesce in the ratio if Great Britain and the United States in practice each lay down 5 keels to 3. But in this revised era of power politics, financial resolution is as important as naval moral, and Japan may decide to put the issue to the test of practice before abandoning her attempt at parity.

If "quantitative" agreement is out of reach, it may well be possible to reach agreement as to "qualitative" limits on maximum tonnage and gunnage. That would reduce the cost of competition, and prevent all naval nations having continuously to "renew their navies" owing to new types and inventions being adopted elsewhere which make existing vessels useless.

In Europe the position if not easy is less acute. The much-abused but "fundamentally sound" Anglo-German Naval Agreement has exercised the spectre of that naval competition which was a principal provocation to the World War. The political policies of France and Great Britain rule mutual naval rivalry and hostility out of the question.

The position in the Mediterranean is more difficult to assess, because of the Abyssinian crisis, though it is certain that for financial reasons alone neither France nor Italy want to spend more on naval preparation than they need. Here, also, in default of fundamental agreement about policy, the purse will call the tune.

LEAGUE SUCCESS OR FAILURE

But when I mention the Abyssinian crisis I bring in the biggest and most uncertain factor of all. If it ends, as I hope it will end, in proof that the idea of collective security has enough vitality in practical action to prevent unprovoked aggression from achieving its ends, while yet opening the way to the satisfaction of legitimate national needs by revisions of the status quo by pacific means, a new principle affecting naval armaments will have emerged into practical diplomatic life.

Common naval action, reinforced from the air, is or ought to be the ultimate "power behind" the collective system, and if enough naval Powers came to support the League system effectively, limitation and reduction of naval armaments should certainly be easier to reach. But if the Abyssinian crisis were to end in proof of the impotence of the League collective system, either to prevent war and aggression, or to end it on terms which are just and fair to all, there is bound to be a "savage gut punch" into alliances, or isolation or competitive building, according as each nation believes its own national interest is best served.

So the present Naval Conference is likely to be, fundamentally, an interim gathering. It will probably reach agreement on minor points, and especially on qualitative limits to the size of ships and guns. But the ultimate question, whether navies and their satellite services are to be used merely as instruments of national policy or as the instruments for the prevention of war and the service of peace, will be determined, not by the Conference, but by events going on elsewhere.

AMERICA'S CO-OPERATION

If the League succeeds, the United States, the balancing factor in the world to-day, now wholly devoted to a policy of highly-armed isolation, may gradually come to consider whether co-operation to prevent war may not be a surer method of keeping out of war than a neutrality which, however perfect negatively, can have no effect in preventing vital changes to the detriment of the strategic security of the United States as a result of wars in which she is not herself engaged.

PILOT COLLAPSES ON LAUNCH

CAPTAIN D. T. JAMES DIES WHILE GOING ON DUTY

Twenty Years In China Waters

Shanghai, Dec. 28.

Shanghai shipping circles were shocked yesterday at the news of the death early in the morning of Captain D. T. James, licensed pilot as he was going on duty. A member of the Shanghai Licensed Pilots' Association, Captain James left the office at about 9.10 a.m. and appeared to be in his normal state of good health as he said good-bye to Captain J. W. Carle, manager of the association, before leaving for the pilot launch.

Ten minutes later, however, the launch of the launch ran into the office, and said that Captain James had collapsed a few minutes after he had boarded the launch. Captain Carle immediately went down to the boat, and found Captain James lying on a settee in the cabin. An ambulance was hastily summoned—and he was taken to the General Hospital, but he was found to be dead on arrival.

A native of Cardiganshire, South Wales, where he was born some 45 years ago, the late Captain James was a sailor of the old school, receiving his apprenticeship in various square-rigged sailing ships. He first came out to China about twenty years ago, and joined Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's coastal fleet as a master.

During the Great War, Captain James was in command of a troop-transporting ship to Basra during the drive in Mesopotamia. In 1928 he joined the Shanghai Licensed Pilots' Association, and only returned to Shanghai at the end of October this year after having been on home leave in his beloved Wales.

Popular Everywhere

A member of the St. David's Society, he served on the committee of this association at various periods during the past few years, being noted for his capacity for doing a great deal of work without any ostentatious display. Although of a quiet and retiring nature, the late Captain James was very well known and universally liked in Shanghai, and was a popular member of the French Club, the Shanghai Club, and the Mercantile Marine Officers' Club, which he joined in June 1923, being proposed by Captain E. Budgen and seconded by Captain F. H. Jeune, both members of the same pilots' association that he was.

He leaves behind a wife and two children, who are at present in Cardigan. Mrs. James has been notified by cable of the death of her husband, and funeral arrangements will be made on receipt of advices from her. An inquest will probably be opened later by H. M. Coroner.

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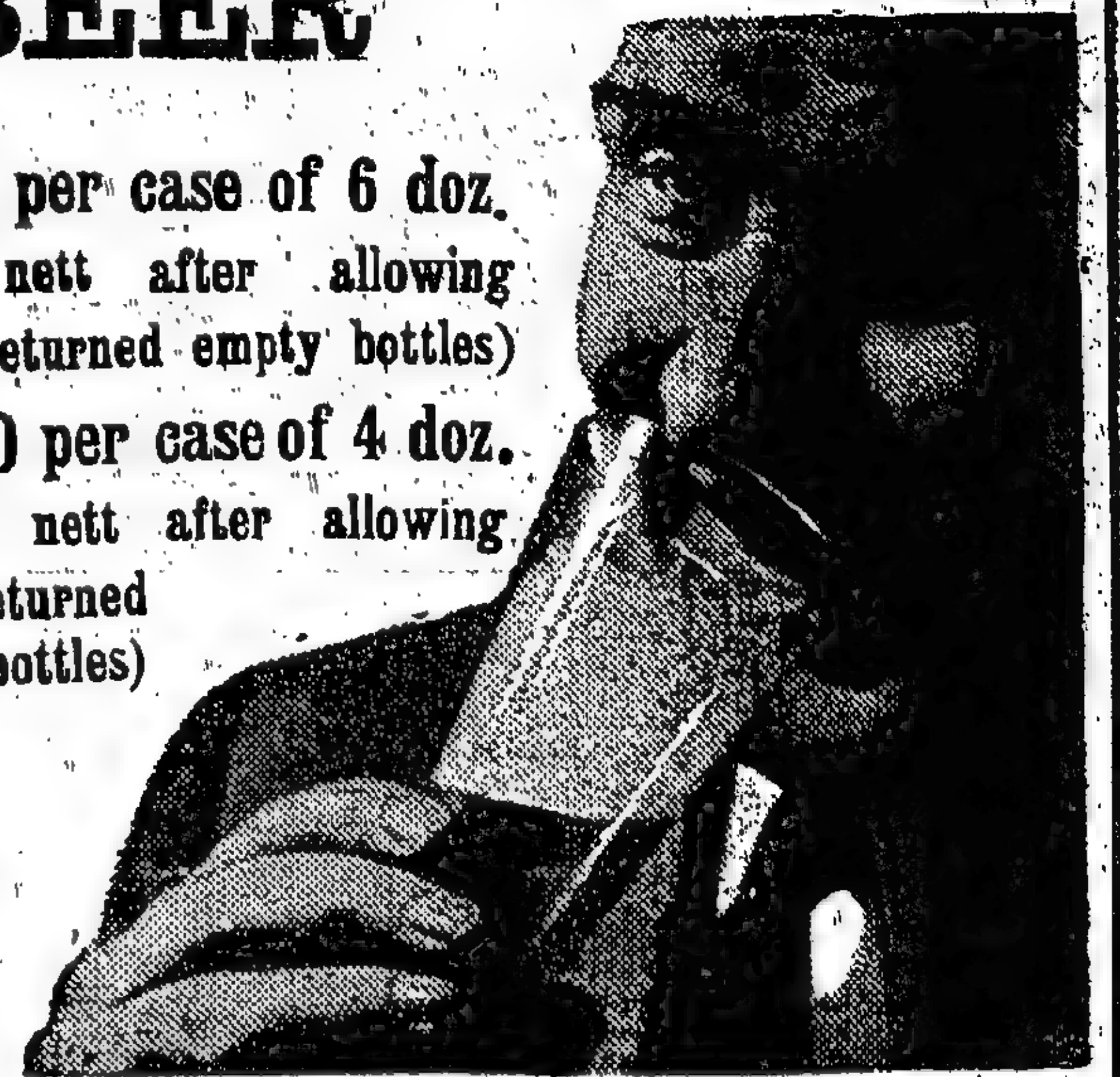
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GOOD PRICES FOR R. L. S.

FIRST EDITIONS

London, Dec. 12.

First edition copies of the works of Robert Louis Stevenson which were given by the author to his mother, were up for sale at Sotheby's London yesterday.

They came from Calgary, Alberta, and were the property of Mrs. Pearce, great-niece of Stevenson's mother.

A copy of "An Inland Voyage" received a final bid of 27, but "Travels with a Donkey" went to 210.

Big prices followed in quick succession. "Treasure Island" realised £200, "A Child's Garden of Verses" £140, "The Kidnapper" which Stevenson forgot to sign, £140, and "The Merry Men" £140.

The collection brought in a total of £2,221.

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following are the gallops for New Year's Day and January 2, 1936:

	Dis- tance	GRIFFINS					Last
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	
Advancing	1	42	1.23.2	2.03.2	2.27.3		34
Mr. Tinson's Grey	1	48	1.29.2	2.08.2	2.44.3	3.10.1	31.3
King's Lead	1	50.2	1.39.	2.25	2.59.2		34.2
Dynasty's Chestnut	1	47.1	1.30.2	2.10.2	2.39.2		29
Royal Consort	1	44.1	1.26	2.06.1	2.35.3		29.2
Royal Scot	1	49	1.34.4	2.20.1	3.04	3.39.4	35.4
Forest View	1	41.4	1.18.3	1.53.2	2.25.1		31.4
Laughing Girl	1	45.1	1.21.3	1.53.4	2.27.1		35.2
Laughing Duddah	1	45.3	1.24	1.57.1	2.28.3		31.1
Donovan	1	45.2	1.23	2.07.3	2.41.3	3.14.3	33
Splendid View	1	41.2	1.17.2	1.51.2	2.23.3		37
Silver Smith	1	41.2	1.19	1.54.4	2.26		31.1
Rosemary	1	47.1	1.28.4	2.08.4	2.46.4	3.21.4	35.2
Gorgeous View	1	40	1.13.4	1.48	2.22		34
View	1	39.3	1.14	1.45.4	2.20.3		34.4
Glorious View	1	40.3	1.18	1.53.1	2.25.2		32.1

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Celebration Time and Modern	1	42.1	1.24.2	2.02.4	2.37.4	3.13	34.1
Hero	1	44	1.23	2.02.3	2.39.3	3.15.3	34.1
Harlot	1	44.4	1.27.2	2.10.4	2.53.2	3.25.3	32.1
Strathalan	1	47.1	1.28.2	2.11.2	2.46.2	3.21.2	34.4
Merry Jester and Yellow Fish	1	37.1	1.15.2	1.51.2	2.23.1	3.06.4	37.3
Hellbender and Paymaster	1	39.2	1.17.4	1.54.2	2.28.4		34.2
Hawthorn	1	42.2	1.21.4	1.59	2.31.1		32.1
Busbridge	1	49.2	1.27.2	2.17.1	2.49.1		32
Peter Davey	1	47.1	1.26.2	2.11.2	2.46.2	3.21.1	34.4
Blue Sailor	1	47.1	1.26.2	2.11.2	2.46.2	3.21.1	34.4
AUSTRALIAN PONIES							
Moonlight	1	47	1.22.1	2.18.2	2.49.2	3.42	41.5
Perfect Day	1	38.4	1.15.3	1.52.2	2.27.2	2.58.3	29.1
Yoho and Film	1	40	1.23	2.13.4	2.50.3	3.22.1	31.4
Star	1	42.1	1.25.3	1.56.2	2.29	2.59	30
Blanford	1	41.3	1.24.1	1.54.2	2.27	2.58.2	29.2
Zodiac	1	42.1	1.23.2	2.06.4	2.40.1	3.13.1	33
Rippon Tree	1	36	1.08.4	1.53.4			31
The Dublin	1	36	1.08.4	1.53.4			31

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THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS

December 31, 1935.

The price for spot silver rose
1 1/16 yesterday, the quotation be-
ing 22 1/16 but there was no for-
ward quotation. The rise was at-
tributed to little Indian buying
and bear covering. Sellers were
scarce. The market closed steady.
Buyers were a shade over the
fixed price but there were no
sellers.

In America the rate was un-
changed at 94 1/2 for spot.
The London/New York cross-
rate was lower at 4.92 1/2 and the
New York/London rate dropped
5/4 to 4.93.

MARKET

Opened steady but later eased
off owing to a better demand.

STERLING

The market opened with sellers
at 1/3 1/16 for near delivery follow-
ed by transactions at 1/3 11/16
for February. The buying rate
then receded to 1/3 1/16 at which
rate, some business was done for
near delivery, 1/3 11/16 was ar-
ranged for January and 1/3 1/16
for February. Later offers at 1/3 1/16
were accepted for January de-
livery. Towards 1 p.m. 1/3 11/16
was fixed for early January and
1/3 1/16 for January and first half of
January. The market closed at
lunch time with sellers at 1/3 1/16
for early January, 1/3 9/16 for Jan-
uary and 1/3 1/16 for February. Buy-
ers at 1/3 1/16 for first half of Jan-
uary and 1/3 9/16 for February.

U.S. DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 32 1/2 for
near with business done later.
32 5/16 for cash. The market
then eased off and 32 1/16 was ar-
ranged for February and 32 1/16
for January. The market closed
at 1 p.m. with sellers at 32 1/16
for early January, 31 15/16 for
January and 31 13/16 for Febru-
ary, buyers at 1/8 higher respec-
tively.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was done at 108 1/2 for
cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

The Sterling rate was quoted at
1/23 for spot and the U.S. Dollars
rate at 29 1/2 for spot.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market continued easy in
the afternoon.

STERLING

Business was done at 1/3 1/16 for
cash, 1/3 9/16 for January, 1/3 1/16
for January and 1/3 9/16 for the
first week of January. The mar-
ket closed with sellers at 1/3 9/16
for early January, 1/3 1/16 for Jan-
uary and 1/3 7/16 for February
buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS

A small business was reported
at 32 for cash. The market closed
with sellers at 31 15/16 for early
January, 31 13/16 for January and
31 11/16 for February, buyers
probably at 1/16 higher respec-
tively.

January 2nd, 1936.

The price for spot silver rose
7/16 over the holidays, the quota-
tion being 22 1/16 but there was no
forward rate. The rise was at-
tributed to India and speculators ac-
cordingly. America did not
operate. Offerings were small. The
market closed firm with business
reported at 1/16 over the quoted
rates.

In America the market was closed.

The London/New York cross-
rate was quoted at 4.92 1/2.

MARKET

Opened easy but subsequently
collapsed owing to a good demand.
Later the market reacted slightly
closing on the steady side.

STERLING

Open with buyers at 1/3 1/16 for
January but offers at 1/3 1/16 were
accepted for January followed by
transactions at 1/3 1/16 for January,
1/3 1/16 for January, 1/3 1/16 for
February and 1/3 1/16 for cash. The
market then re-acted and business
was again arranged at 1/3 1/16 for
February and 1/3 1/16 for March.
Towards the close 1/3 1/16 was ar-
ranged for first half of Janu-
ary and January finishing with sell-
ers at 1/3 1/16 for January, 1/3 1/16
for February and 1/3 1/16 for March
buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS

Business was done shortly after
the opening at 31 1/16 for January
delivery. The market then gradu-
ally receded to 31 1/16, at which
rate, business was done for Jan-
uary delivery. The market closed
with sellers at 31 5/16 for Janu-
ary, 31 1/16 for February and 30
15/16 for March, buyers probab-
ly at 1/8 higher respectively.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Sellers were quoted at 108 1/2 for
near delivery.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Was closed to-day.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE)

	December 30.	January 1.
Paris	74 35/64	74 29/64
Geneva	15 14 1/2	15 15 1/2
Berlin	12 25	12 24
Athens	6 1 1/2	6 1 1/2
Milan	4 9 1/2	4 9 1/2
Shanghai	7 25 1/2	7 25 1/2
New York	1 13/16	1 13/16
Amsterdam	20 24	20 24 1/2
Vienna	118 1/2	118 1/2
Prague	565	565
Bucharest	36 31/32	36 31/32
Madrid	1 13/16	1 13/16
Lisbon	20 24	20 24 1/2
Hong Kong	39 1/2 S.O.	39 1/2 S.O.
Brussels	216	216
Montevideo	4 9 1/2	4 9 1/2
Belgrade	4 1/2 S.O.	4 1/2 S.O.
Yokohama	22 1/16	22 1/16
Helsingfors	34 1/2 100	34 1/2 100
Rio		
Buenos Aires		
Silver (Spot)		
Silver (Forward)		
War Loan		

Closing Quotations

January 2, 1936.

On London:-	On New York:-
Telegraphic Transfer... 1 1/2	Bank Bills, on demand 31 15/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1 1/2	Credit, 60 days' sight 31 15/16
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight 1 1/2	On demand 48 1/2
Credit, 4 months' sight 1 1/2	On demand 48 1/2
On Shanghai:-	On demand 48 1/2
On demand 108 1/2	On demand 48 1/2
On Singapore:-	On demand 48 1/2
On demand 55	On demand 48 1/2
On Japan:-	On demand 48 1/2
On demand 110 1/2	On demand 48 1/2
On India:-	On demand 48 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer... 80 1/2	On demand 48 1/2
Bank, on demand 80 1/2	On demand 48 1/2

CRISIS OF THE FRANC

Bank Governor's Speech

From A Correspondent

Basle, Dec. 8.
At the Sunday, preparatory
assembly of the fifty-seventh
board meeting of the B.L.S. at
Basle, Governor Jean Tannery, of
the Banque de France, gave a de-
tailed report about the present
crisis of the French franc. The
difficulties began at the end of
October last, extending to the
first days of December. However,
the gold losses suffered by the
Banque de France were not as
great as those sustained from
March to June.

The gold withdrawals from
October 23 to 30 amounted to
168,000,000 francs; the gold losses in-
creased rapidly during the follow-
ing weeks, amounting to 687,000,000
francs to November 8, 933,000,000
francs to November 15, 1,364,000,000
francs to November 28, and 2,834,000,000
francs to November 29. At the begin-
ning of December the withdrawals
were nearly stopped, and the net
balance-sheet of the Banque de
France will show a decrease of
less than 300,000,000 francs.

Contrary to what happened last
spring, there were but few with-
drawals for hoarding purposes.
The confidence of French public
opinion has not been shaken this
time. The gold withdrawals were
largely due to the repatriation of
foreign deposits and to the trans-
fer of important franc deposits
into dollar and sterling assets.

These currency transfers were
largely due to the quite unjusti-
fied fear of a devaluation of the
French franc and also to the
simultaneous "Wall Street boom".
The drop in the French franc and
the export of gold were accom-
panied by "bear" speculation which
caused a great tension in the re-
lation of the franc to the dollar
and the pound. To stop this
"bear" speculation and to protect
its gold deposits, the Banque de
France had to raise the discount
rate three times in a short period
— from 3 to 4 per cent. on Novem-
ber 14, to 5 per cent. on November
21, and to 6 per cent. on November
25. These rapid interventions had
a nearly spontaneous effect: after
November 22 the tension between
the franc, the dollar, and the
pound diminished, the successive
votes of confidence obtained by the
French Government completely
calmed the tension; and gold
withdrawals have in consequence
practically ceased.

CREDIT RESTRICTIONS
The total losses suffered by the
Banque de France amount to 2,834,000,000
francs of gold since the last days
of October, while the total cir-
culation has only slightly de-
creased. The crisis has just come to
an end and has proved once more the
unshakable solidarity of the French
franc.

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YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The year starts well, with a
general demand for shares at av-
ancing rates, with very few
shares offering.

BUYERS

Hong Kong Bank, \$1485.
Bank of East Asia, \$76.
Antamoka, \$130.
Benquet Consolidated, \$16.
Raffles, \$270.
Vern Goldfields, \$3.
Wharves (old), \$98.
Providents (old), \$11.
Hanks, \$42.
H.K. Lands, \$354.
Humphreys, \$1040.
H.K. Realities, \$530.
H.K. Tram, \$144.
Peak Tram (old), \$5.
Star Ferries, \$89.
Yau-mat Ferries, \$178.
China Lights, \$1080.
China Lights, \$1215.
Electric, \$694.
Telephones (old), \$254.
Telephones (new), \$980.
Cements, \$740.
H.K. Ropes, \$480.
Dairy Farms, \$21.
Lane, Crawford, \$64.
Sincere, \$320.

SALES

H.K. Banks, \$1485/1480.
Antamoka, \$130.
Providents (old), \$11.
Humphreys, \$104.
China Lights Rights, \$44/45.
Dairy Farms, \$21.
Watsons, \$44.
Entertainments, \$340.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. re-
ceived the following quotations in
Straits Currency from Singa-
pore for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers	Sellers
Spot	22 1/2 Un.	22 1/2
Feb./Mar.	22 1/2 Un.	22 1/2
Apr./June	22 1/2 Un.	22 1/2
July/Sept.	22 1/2 Un.	22 1/2
Market - Steadier		

greatly diminished. To avoid
strong restrictions the Bank had
naturally to look for cover in the
money market. From the end of
October, therefore, the amount of
commercial bills increased by two
million francs. Further, another mil-
lion francs had to be given to the
market in the form of short-term
credits: the rigorous policy of
credit restrictions carried out by
the Banque de France produced a
contraction of the disposable
francs to a further amount of
2,000,000,000 francs. Thus the gold
fell only from 74 3/8 to 70 per cent.
The crisis which has just come to
an end has proved once more the
unshakable solidarity of the French
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Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama,
Nagoya 3rd Feb.

HOMeward SAILINGS

* m.v. "DUISBURG" for M'les, Antwerp, R'dam,
Hamburg 28th Jan.
* m.v. "RUHR" for Marseilles, R'dam, H'burg
5th Feb.
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